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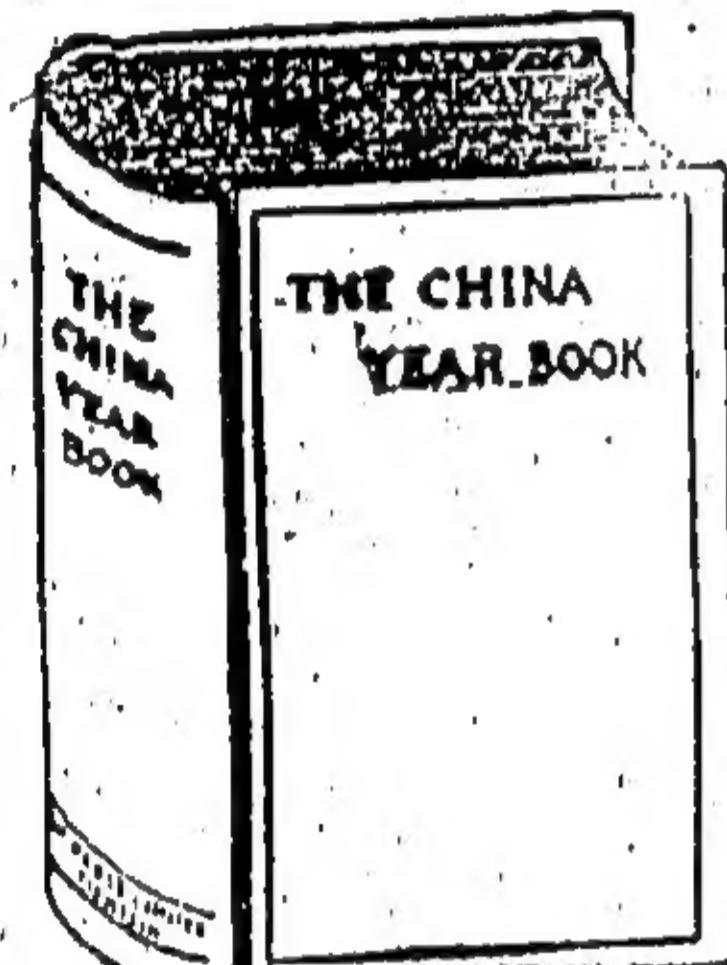
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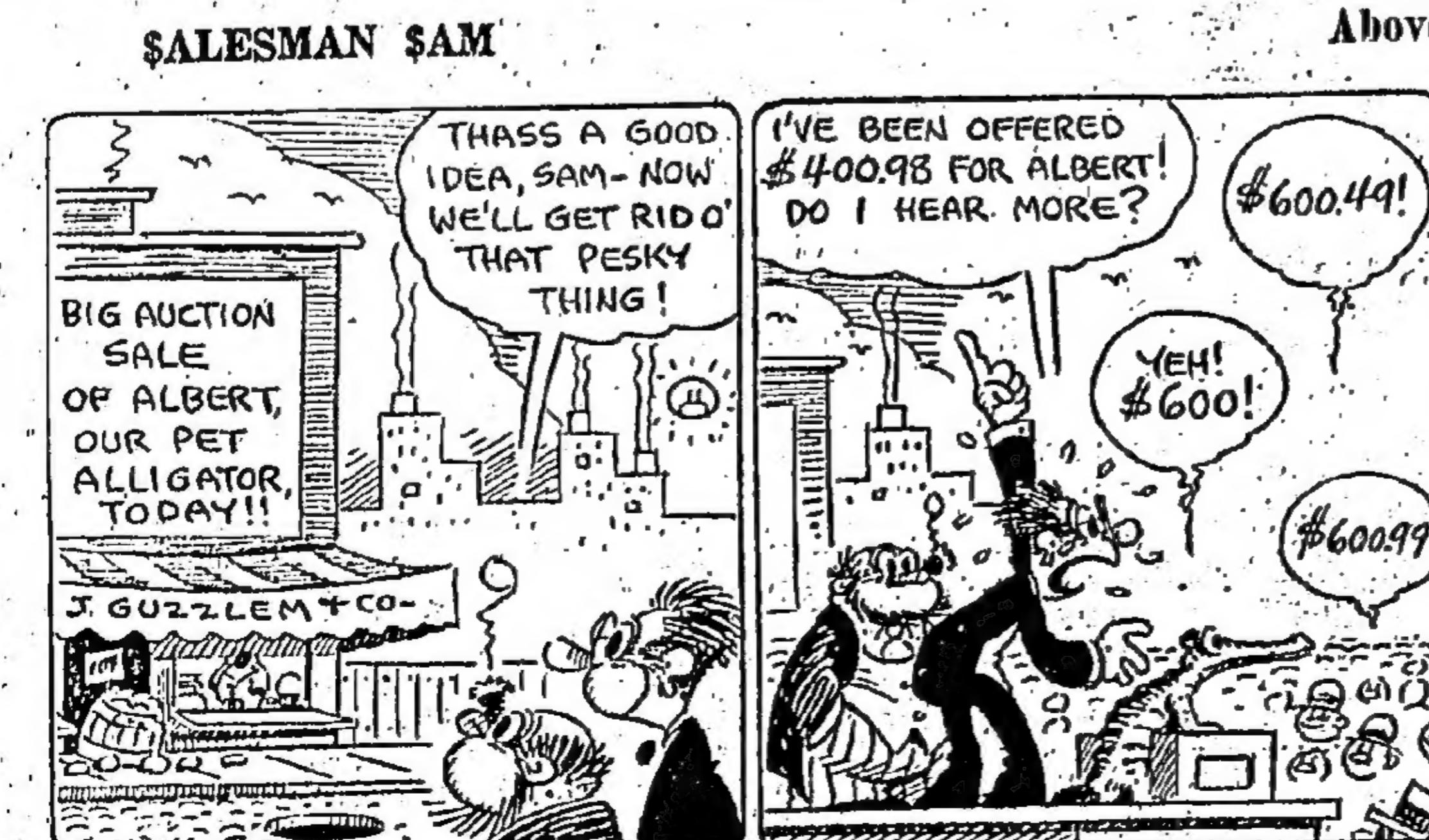
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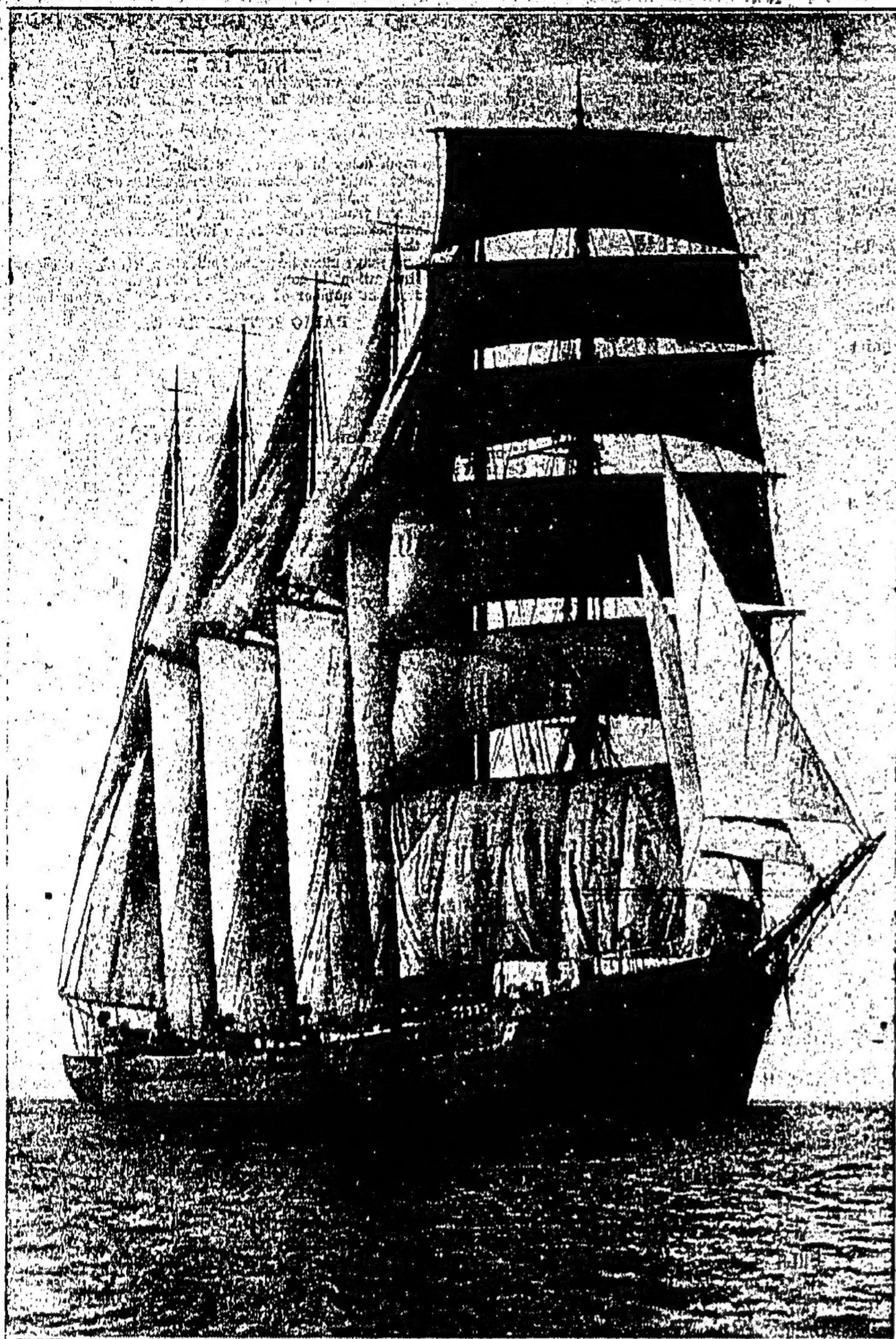
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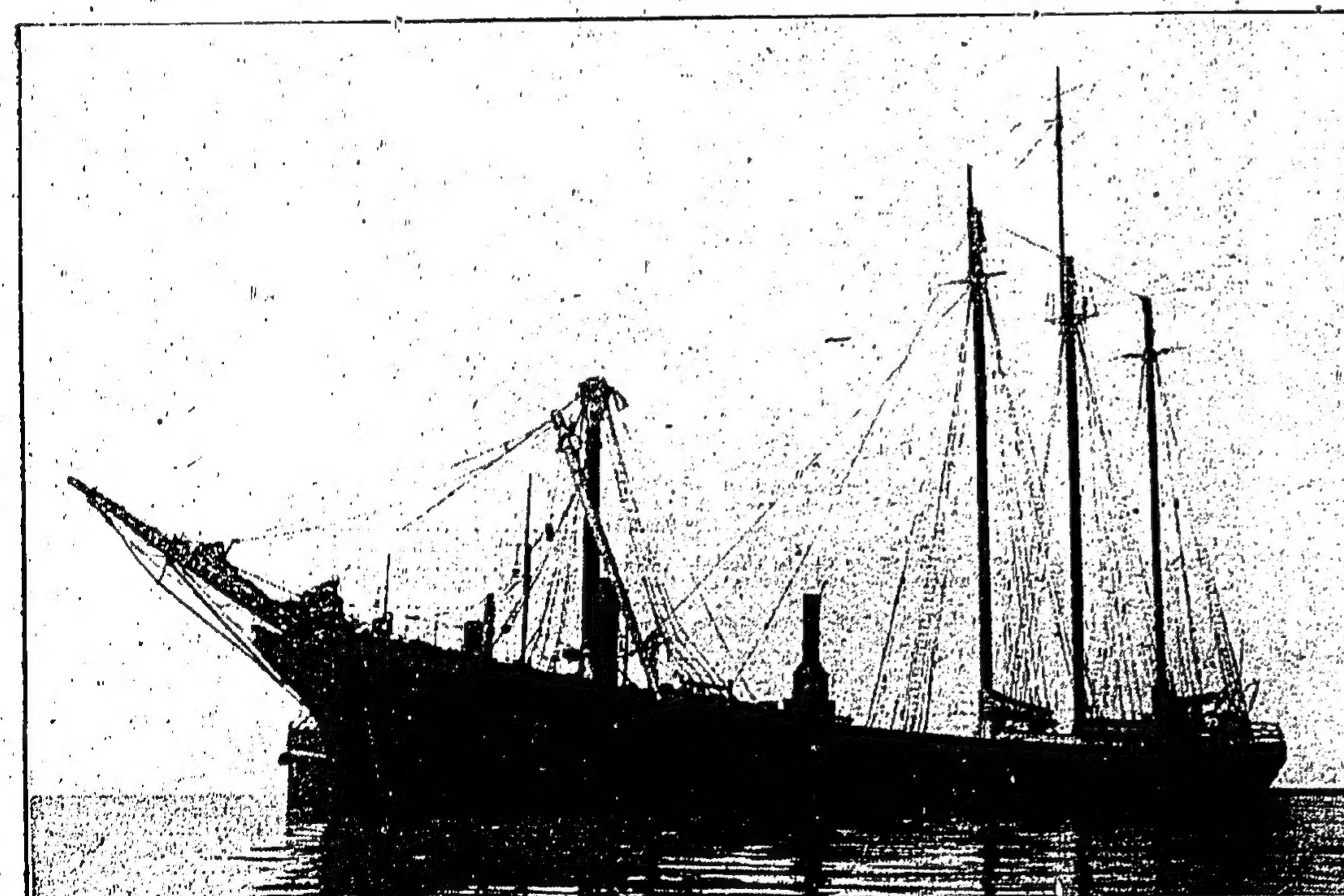
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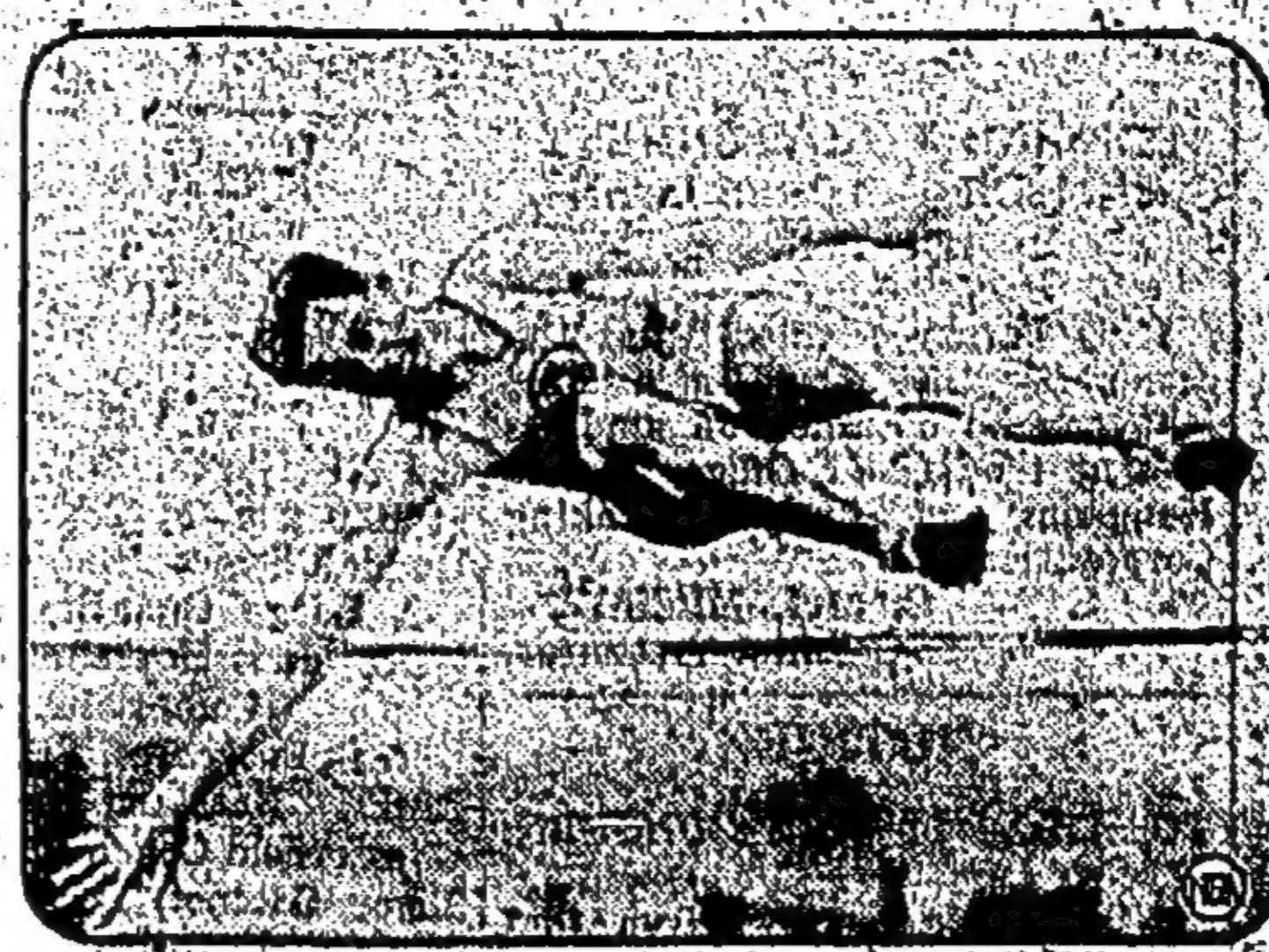
The six-masted barquentine E. R. Sterling in all the beauty of her white sails before she had passed through the adventures of her recent voyage from Australia. Gales and contrary winds caused her to be so badly damaged and forced out of her course that the voyage took nine months. (Times copyright).



The basqueantine moored in The Thames at her journey's end with only three of her masts intact. During a hurricane off the Cape Verde Islands, Mr. Roderick Mackenzie received fatal injuries. (Times copyright).



Dinner given at the Plaza Hotel Shanghai prior to the sailing for home of Mr. W. S. Harvie, by Shanghai Hockey Players, past and present. Mr. Harvie was presented with a memento in recognition of his services to hockey during his residence in Shanghai.



Russell Smith, a now candidate for Olympic high jump honours is soon above taking a jump of 6 feet 3 inches with graceful ease.



Mr. K. B. Lee Guinness and Miss Josephine Strangman were married at St. Margaret's, Westminster. (Times copyright).



Lord Jellicoe laying the foundation stone of the Drummond-crescent block of flats, being erected by the Magdalen College Mission. (Times copyright).



Miss Pearl Smiddy, daughter of Dr. Timothy A. Smiddy, Irish Minister to Washington, is who engaged to Major Alfonso Royes, of the Spanish army.



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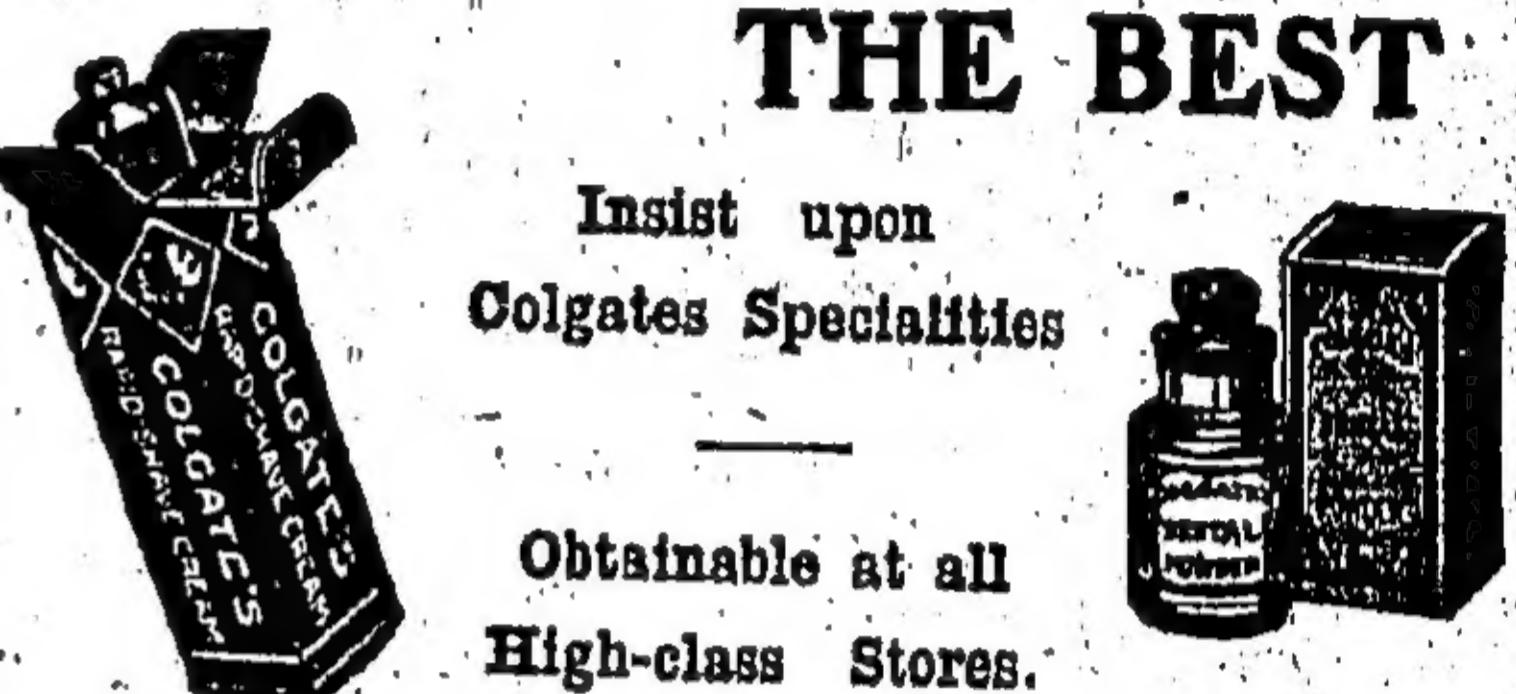
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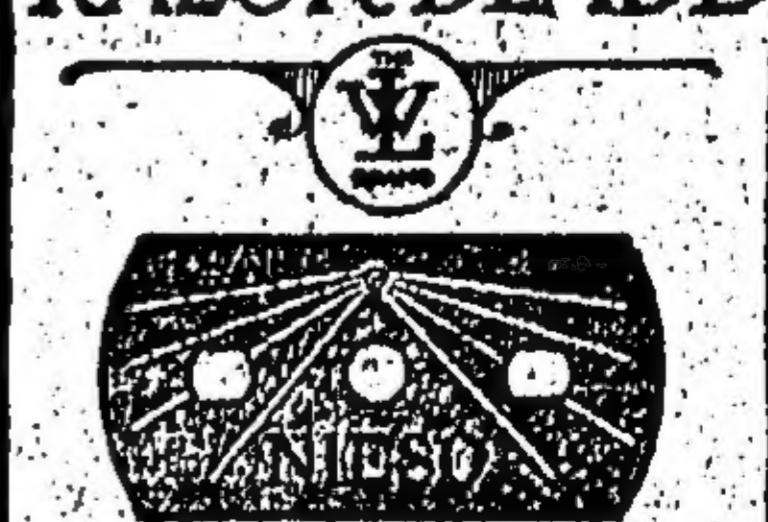
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"That the capital of the Company be increased from its present capital of \$3,000,000 (Hongkong Currency) divided into 300,000 shares of \$10 each to \$6,000,000 (Hongkong Currency) divided into 600,000 shares of \$10 each and that such additional shares shall rank in all respects pari passu with the original capital of the Company."

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place at 12.30 o'clock in the afternoon, on MONDAY, the SECOND DAY of April, 1928, for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, confirming the above Resolution as a Special Resolution

AND NOTICE IS HEREBY FURTHER GIVEN that a further Extraordinary General Meeting of the Company will be held at the same place on MONDAY, the SECOND DAY of April, 1928, at 12.40 o'clock in the afternoon or so soon thereafter as the above Meeting shall have terminated for the purpose of considering and, if thought fit, passing the following Resolutions, namely:—

1. "That the Directors be, and they are hereby authorised, to capitalise the sum of \$1,500,000 profits of the Company standing to the credit of the Company's Reserve Fund and to allot to the members holding shares of the Company as on the 1st day of July, 1928, in respect of the net amount capitalised fully paid shares of the Company of equivalent nominal value in the proportion of one share, for every two shares of the Company then held by such persons respectively and that such shares so allotted shall rank for dividends as from the 1st day of July, 1928."

2. "That if, on such distribution as aforesaid, any person would be entitled to a fraction of a share, the Directors shall, in lieu of issuing fractional certificates, cause the whole share to be allotted to a person or persons to be named by the Directors and such share may, at such time as the Directors think fit, be sold and the proceeds distributed amongst the persons entitled to the fractions making up the share."

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong 1st March, 1928.

THE HONGKONG ROPE MANUFACTURING CO., LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.—The Forty-fourth Ordinary Yearly Meeting of Shareholders in the above Company will be held at St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, on Thursday, the 22nd March, 1928, at 11.30 o'clock a.m. for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the General Managers for the year ended 31st December, 1927, and electing a Consulting Committee and Auditors.

The Transfer Books of the Company will be closed from Monday 12th March, 1928, until Thursday the 22nd March, 1928, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong 1st March, 1928.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY LIMITED.

THE 39TH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS in the above COMPANY will be held at the Offices of the Company, St. George's Building, Chater Road, Victoria, Hongkong, on Wednesday, the 21st day of March, 1928, at noon for the purpose of receiving a statement of accounts and the report of the Directors for the year ended 31st December, 1927.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from Tuesday the 13th March, 1928, until Wednesday, the 21st March, 1928, both days inclusive.

SHEWAN, TOMES & CO., General Managers. Hongkong 1st March, 1928.

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Notice is hereby given that the Thirty-Ninth Ordinary General Meeting will be held at the Company's Offices, P. and O. Building, Victoria, Hongkong, on Friday, 16th March, 1928, at 12 noon, for the purpose of presenting the Report of the Directors together with a Statement of Accounts to 31st December, 1927, and electing Directors and Auditors.

By Order of the Board of Directors.

R. M. DYER,
Chief Manager.
Hongkong, 6th March, 1928.

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The Fifty-ninth Ordinary General Meeting of Shareholders will be held at the Office of the Under-Secretary of State, the 26th March, 1928, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1927.

The Share Register and Transfer Books will be closed from the 12th to the 26th March, 1928, both days inclusive.

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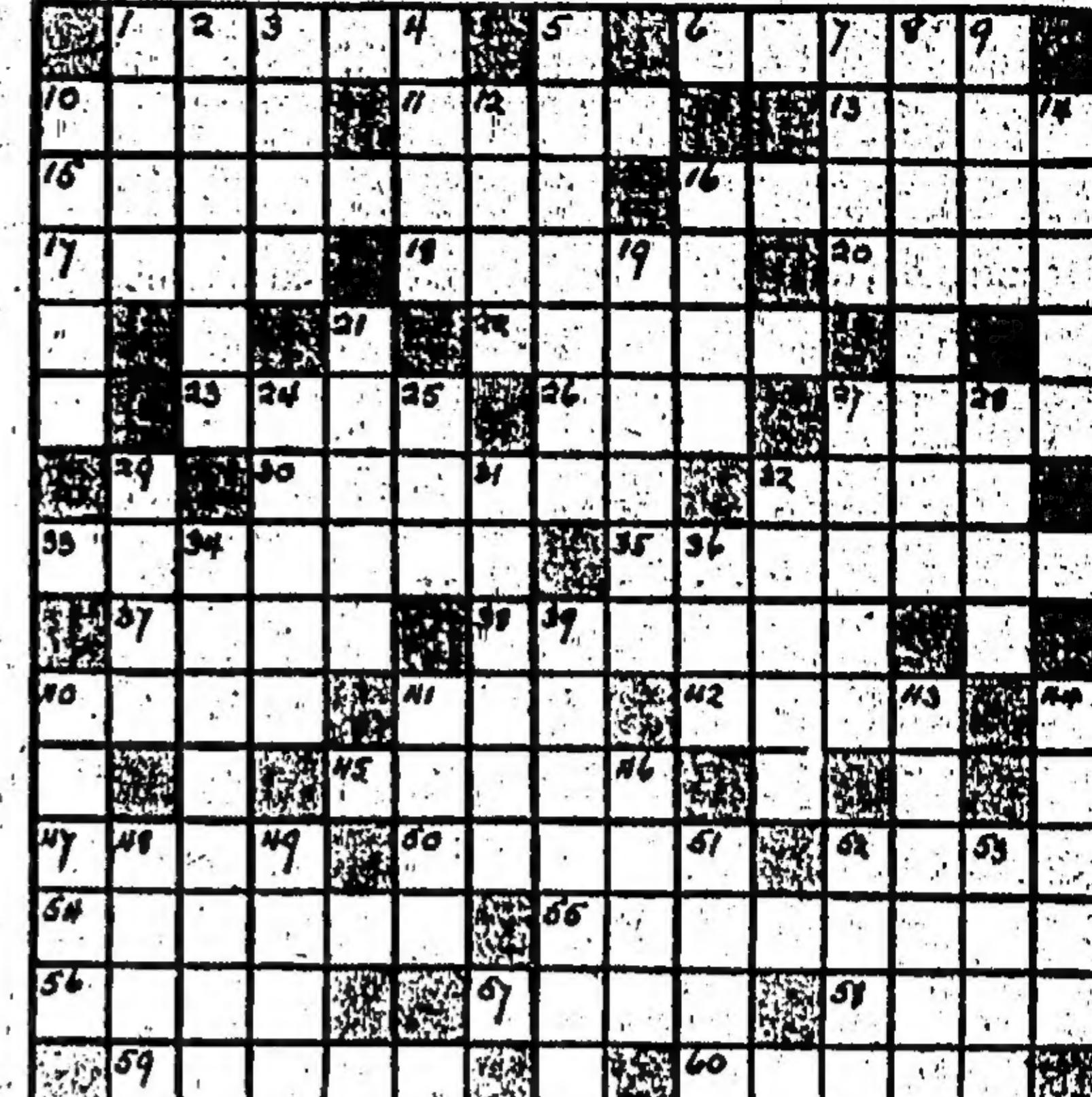


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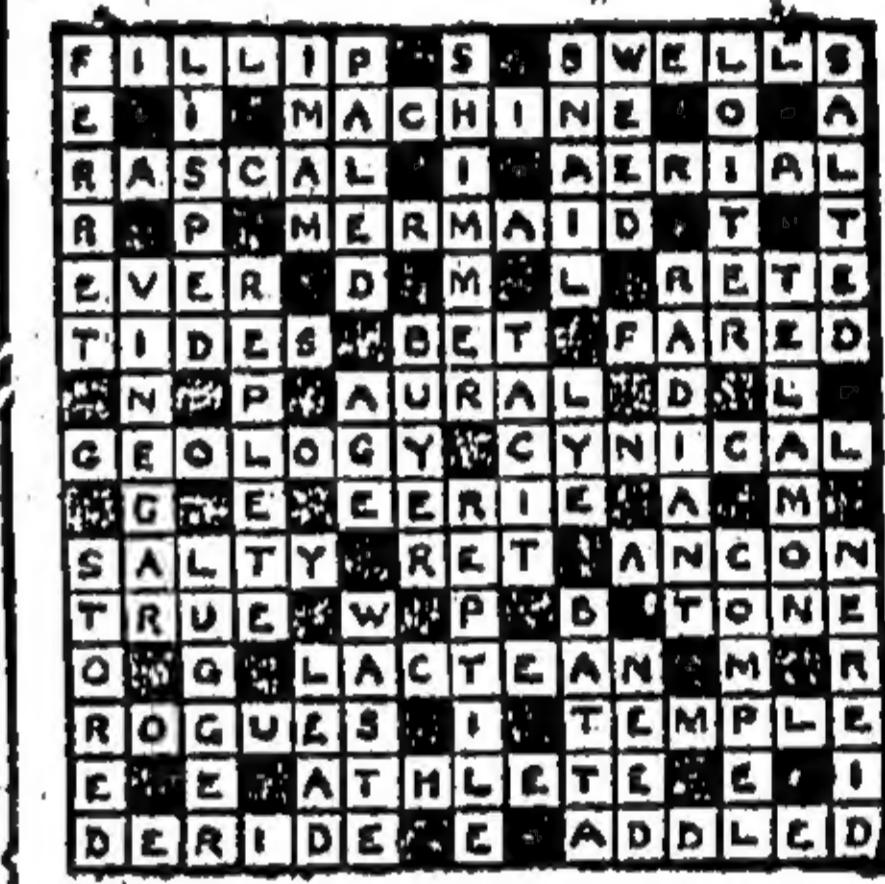
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- Poured down abundantly.
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- Sledge.
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Yesterday's Puzzle.



GERMAN GIRL'S "VISION."

FURTHER DEVELOPMENT IN STIGMATA CASE.

Berlin, Feb. 6.—Theresa Neumann, the stigmata subject of Konnersreuth, who for many months has provided ecclesiastics, doctors, the Press, and the public with endless material for discussion, has just caused new excitement. It has been discovered that the accustomed bleeding of her wounds on Fridays has ceased since Christmas.

She is understood to have heard a "voice" which announced this impending change in her state during the Nativity festival.

This discovery was accompanied by premature reports to the effect that she was so far restored to health as to be able to participate usefully in the domestic work of her parent's house.

On further investigation, however, it is learned that she is still only able to stretch out one hand easily, and continues to exist, as she has done for long past, without any form of nourishment. She also remains subject to religious ecstasy, if it is true, as the Munich papers state, that she has recently had numerous visions of scenes from Biblical history.

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PROBLEMS.**

The new Governor-General of the Philippines delivered himself of some weighty and extremely opposite remarks on the occasion of his inauguration in Manila, as will have been observed by the extracts from his speech which we reprinted yesterday. He did not deal with the issue of Independence, save for a few passing references, in one of which he stated that it is the doctrine of trust responsibility which underlies American sovereignty in the islands. Making mention of the progress of education, Mr. Stimson took the opportunity of acknowledging its instrumentalities in the direction of helping the Filipinos to achieve a national consciousness and a common language, but on the political issues associated with the Independence campaign he said nothing. He did indeed remark that in laying hold of instruction, the Filipinos were taking a long step forward on what President Roosevelt once called "the stony and difficult path which leads to self-government," but that would hardly be likely to satisfy those political leaders who were hoping for some definite pronouncement on the vital issue of complete independence.

The burden of Mr. Stimson's oration was the desirability and necessity of the economic development of the Philippine Islands. He was stating the truth when he asserted that far more attention has been concentrated upon politics than on industrial development by the Filipinos, with the result that progress in the latter field has not kept pace with the exceptional advances made in education and public affairs. And, as the new Governor-General said, serious application to industrial expansion would be of the greatest benefit to the Philippines, with the large measure of American backing which is available. The islands have certainly not been developed to nearly the extent that they could be in this regard, and we have no doubt that this fact is in part explained by the mistaken conception held by so many of the people that industrialism means interference with their liberties. Mr. Stimson had some pointed observations to make on that particular issue. However, we imagine that the new Governor-General will find it a difficult task to convince the Filipino political leaders that they could not be better situated than

under American rule. We ourselves have no doubt that the United States is doing a fine work in the Philippines and that the liberties and rights of the people are being protected and preserved. But political malcontents take small heed of these things. Our own experience in India has proved that.

The United States, however, occupies a rather peculiar position in regard to what are known as its territorial possessions, which are not regarded as being colonies, though the average Britisher finds it difficult to distinguish the difference. Despite America's high motives, there is a deal of dissatisfaction in most of these territories. The Virgin Islands want civil instead of naval government, so do Guam and Samoa; the Philippines ask for independence; Alaska seeks Statehood; and Porto Rico wants self-government. Such are some of the ambitions of people under American rule. In course of time, they will most likely be realised, but that time is evidently not yet.

The Cotton Rupture.

A charge of lack of sincerity has been laid against the employers by the Lancashire cotton operatives, and the quibbles denying the advantage of an independent chairman, and the necessity for the assistance of outside professional men, will import a bitterness into the controversy which might easily have been avoided. A complete rupture over the terms of reference of a self-examination rather points to a reluctance on the part of the employers to have the matters so thoroughly investigated as they had led the operatives to suppose was their desire. We are not prepared to argue that one side or the other is justified in its present attitude, but it is deplorable that the earnestness of the employers is not better manifested than in an uncompromising refusal to consider the operatives' point of view. A breakdown on what is after all quite a minor issue in a serious situation suggests a lack of bona fides somewhere, and there is room for considerable criticism of the employers in this respect. It is just as much to their interests as to those of the operatives that the matter should be probed fully; instead, they threatened at one time to come to blows with the operatives on the question of organised short-time. If Lancashire's greatest industry is to hope for restoration to its former power in the world, for the easy supremacy which enabled her to make great profits in the past, a vigorous effort has necessarily to be made to get out of the conglomeration of localisation which grew up undisturbed in the Nineteenth Century, and a real effort be made towards co-operation. Lancashire must be audacious; not as in the past in over-capitalisation, but cutting her losses where necessary. The right lines can be ascertained, only by a thorough investigation, and we can see some of Lancashire's inherent commonsense manifested in the suggestion that outside professional men might bring new pointers to bear on the situation. At the moment, our sympathies are with the operatives.

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DAY BY DAY.

A GOOD PRINCIPAL GETS MORE HARD KNOCKS THAN A POOR ONE.—Prof. Harris Bickford.

The P. and O. ss. Khlyn, from Shanghai, is due here at 6 a.m. on Friday.

Those taking part in to-morrow's musical at the Helena May Institute will be Mrs. Sanger, Mrs. Aubrey, Miss Elisabeth Dunbar, Mr. A. M. Bowes Smith and Mr. John Braga.

The ordinary yearly meeting of shareholders of the Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Co., Ltd., will be held at the office of the Company, Queen's Building, on Tuesday, March 20, at noon.

The annual inspection of the St. John Ambulance Brigade, which was postponed yesterday, will not, as was hoped, take place this evening. By reason of the inclement weather, the function is now postponed sine die.

The officers of H.M.S. Royal Fleet Auxiliaries Belgo, Fortol, Francol, Ruthenia and Khaki were hosts at a dinner dance at Lane Crawford's on Monday night. A very enjoyable evening was spent; the affair, the first of its kind, being a decided success.

Special excursions are being run to Macao on Sunday in connexion with the Macao Races. The s.s. Sui An leaves here at 8 a.m., returning from Macao at 4 p.m., and the s.s. Taishan leaves here at 9 a.m. and returns from Macao at 5.30 p.m.

A Chinese worker of the M. Y. San Co. Factory in Wan Chai had four of his fingers severed by a machine following an accident which occurred at the factory yesterday. The matter was reported to the No. 2 Police Station and the man was admitted to the Government Civil Hospital in a serious condition.

Whilst some heavy machinery was being moved to a junk from the s.s. Savastan, the sling on which the machinery was suspended gave way. A coolie who was working on the steamer at the time was seriously injured, receiving wounds to his head and body. He was removed to the Government Civil Hospital.

**GOVERNOR'S VISIT
TO CANTON.****ELABORATE ARRANGEMENTS
BEING MADE.**

Elaborate arrangements are being made in Canton to welcome H. E. the Governor of Hongkong and party on their official visit to the city. Yesterday, at Marshal Li Chai-sum's headquarters, a special committee of more than twenty members was chosen to make all the necessary preparations in connection with the visit.

In various districts, the British and Chinese Nationalist flags are to be jointly displayed, instructions to this effect having been given, and certain streets especially marked out for decoration purposes.

**CANTON ANTI-BANDIT
SCHEME.****MARSHAL LI CALLS BIG
MEETING.**

Almost immediately after his return from Hongkong, Marshal Li Chai-sum held a big military meeting at his Headquarters to discuss the proposed big anti-bandit scheme. Those present included Generals Chan Ming-shu, Wang Shao-hung, Tang Yin-wah and Chu Ching-tang, Mr. Fung Cho-man and Admiral Chan Chat.

It was resolved that, as much ammunition will be needed in the operations against the bandits, the Canton Arsenal, on the northern suburb, should be amalgamated with the big Arsenal at Shekchang. It is thought that if these two arsenals are placed under one management, the output will be greatly increased.

unnecessary influence by the nation concerned. We would not attempt to deny that we see an inkling of what the organisers of the debate were endeavouring to do at, but we do not seek to carry out their difficult task. Our chief complaint, if this can come within that category, is that the resolution, was hopelessly ambiguous in that no indication of any differentiation in the type of influence, good, bad or indifferent, was made, while the two factors concerned met at points too few for the development of a consistent discussion. Debates are to be encouraged; we do not doubt the usefulness of their sphere of influence; but we would suggest that more careful consideration be given to the selection of topics.

Y.M.C.A. MATTERS.**FAREWELL DINNER TO MR.
J. L. MCPHERSON.**

Among the farewell events in honour of Mr. J. L. McPherson who left for England to-day, via Canada, was a dinner given by the Board of Directors of the Chinese Y. M. C. A. on Saturday night.

The Vice-President, Dr. Chau Wal-cheung, expressed appreciation of the great service given by Mr. McPherson from his arrival in 1905 until the present day. Then the Chinese Y. M. C. A. had no more than a hundred members; now it has more than 2,000. Then it had no property; now it has a men's building and a boys' building, each well-equipped, recreation ground, and a lot recently purchased in Kowloon, for a branch to be erected next year. Mr. McPherson, he said, had helped to secure all these properties and had consistently aimed to develop Chinese leadership in the organization.

Responding, Mr. McPherson said that his periods of absence had been times of great material progress in the Hongkong Y.M.C.A. When he had his first furlough in 1911, the student building was erected. He returned just in time for its opening. During his second absence in 1917, the men's building on Bridges Street was put up. That was opened on his return. In 1923, while he was on leave the construction of the European Y.M.C.A. in Kowloon was carried on and opened after his return. Now during his fourth absence from the Colony he held the Kowloon branch would be commenced and be completed next year.

Previous Secretaries.

During this period from 1905 to 1928, Mr. McPherson has been the senior of the honorary secretaries. He was preceded only by Messrs. W. J. Southam and C. C. Rutledge. Later came Messrs. F. M. Mohler, R. F. Rose, F. S. Cuckow, R. L. Moeller, A. E. Dome and J. H. Geldart.

During Mr. McPherson's absence, his place will be taken by Mr. H. A. Wilbur, from Shanghai, who has been sent by the general organisation at the request of the local Board of Directors.

In the same period, there have been among the Chinese General Secretaries of the organization Dr. T. P. Wu, Mr. Ho Lei-son, Mr. Hoh Shu-lau, and the present secretary, Mr. Y. H. Tsao. The latter, after leaving Queen's College, did Y. M. C. A. work in Canton and in Yunnanfu. He then continued his studies in Yale University and in Oxford, returning last year to the post which he now occupies.

Health Week.

During this week, the annual health campaign of the Y. M. C. A. is in progress. The Bridges Street building is hung with a display of unequal health charts, depicting the causes of prevalent diseases. There are nightly lectures in the auditorium by physicians of the Colony. Physical examinations are given daily in the gymnasium and free vaccination is being secured by the priest.

This "Health Week" is to be followed toward the end of this month by the campaign for membership and contributions, an annual event that is carried through with enthusiasm by an organization of twelve teams that make the work of the Y. M. C. A. known throughout the Colony.

Mr. McPherson has been assured of a warm welcome on his return at about the end of the year.

YET MORE RAIN.

The Royal Observatory weather-report states that the anti-cyclone is central to the west of Vladivostock. The depression over Tongking is unchanged. Moderate monsoon may be expected along the South-east coast of China and over the North-eastern portion of the North China sea.

The forecast till noon to-morrow is:—East winds, moderate; overcast, rain.

The Observatory report shows that 2.81 inches of rain were recorded for the 24 hours ending at 10 a.m. to-day.

EXCHANGE RATES.

	London, Mar. 6
Paris	124
Brussels	85
Amsterdam	12.12%
Berlin	20.41
Copenhagen	18.21
Vienna	84.625
Helsingfors	192.4
Lisbon	2.17/64
Bucharest	7054
Buenos Aires	47.21/32
Shanghai	2.6%
New York	14.11/16
Geneva	25.34
Milan	92.45
Stockholm	18.17
Oak	18.32
Prague	1.64
Ilo	5.69/64
Madrid	20.08
Athens	808.72
Bombay	Holiday
Hongkong	2.0%
Silver (spot)	234.16
Silver (forward)	236.24

British Wireless.

The Very Idea!

Drivers of buses are instructed not to enter into conversation with passengers, but there are some passengers who never seem to see the notice to that effect and chatter away merrily until forced into a "peev'd" silence by the lack of response from the man at the wheel.

An elderly lady recently climbed on to a bus, sat down beside the driver, and commenced an oration on—accidents.

"And have you ever been involved in a bus accident?" she demanded after a five-minute speech.

"Yes, madame," answered the driver. "And the horrible details are these. I was driving a bus near the edge of a cliff, and over we went, hurtling down thousands of feet into a rocky chasm. Half the passengers were killed outright and the rest were terribly injured, dying before they could be rescued. Only one man was saved and that man was—me."

The old lady gasped. "What happened? How did you go over the cliff?"

"I was not attending to the wheel, madame, owing to a passenger persistently talking to me."

Old Mother Hubbard once ransacked her cupboard, And then uttered words of doction, For her nieces and daughters had raided the quarters And taken her schoolgirl complexion.

An amusing explanation is given of a strange interjection that crept into a sermon broadcast from Notre Dame. The preacher, a popular priest, was in the habit of learning his sermons by heart; but not trusting entirely to memory, he arranged with his manuscript from a place of concealment behind the pulpit and to prompt him if that should become necessary.

He had gone on well with the sermon, faithfully followed by the congregation, but as luck would have it, just as he required the prompter's services the latter, by mistake, turned over two pages and gave the wrong cue. The embarrassed preacher, exasperated by the mishap, blurted down to the luckless verger, "Silly ass!"

The exclamation was unheard by the congregation in Notre Dame, but, having been uttered close to the microphone on the pulpit desk, was faithfully carried to the ears of the much larger congregation who were listening to the discourse at their own firesides.

The priest was greatly shocked when, the next day, one of his parishioners, who had listened in, asked him—"Father, who was the scoundrel who called out, 'Silly ass' in the middle of one of the most beautiful passages of your sermon yesterday?" The preacher's answer is not recorded.

Mr. W. B. Luke, a Willesden magistrate, to a husband: "How came this decent young woman to marry you? What witchery have you that is not generally apparent?"

North London navvy: "I cannot make money because I cannot make the weather."

Willesden mother: "My son has been a great invalid with demons."

Derbyshire witness: "Women when shopping lose all sense of the passing of time."

An Irishman and a Scotman were passing a large Catholic cathedral in Montreal. The Irishman, being a good Catholic, took off his hat when they were passing. Sandy did the same.

After they had passed, the Irishman said to Sandy—"I did not know that you were a Catholic. I thought you were a Presbyterian. I was glad to see you take off your hat when you passed the holy church."

"Church?" said Sandy. "Mon, I thought it was the Bank of Montreal!"

A man who said he was the father of 80 children, of whom 29 were girls, appeared at Northampton County Court. Four children were still dependent on him, he said. "It takes us back to the days of the patriarchs," observed Judge Staveley Hill.

It was a keen frosty morning, and the stout elderly gentleman on his way to catch a train slipped on the footpath on the street and immediately fell and was propelled by his weight down the steep incline. A young lady who was coming out of her gate was overturned by the on-rushing body, and sat upon him and was carried towards the foot of the hill. As they reached the railway station at the end of their rapid journey, the gentleman remarked—"You get off, Miss; I stop here."

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THE NEW "CHEER-O"
Y.M.C.A.APPRECIATION OF LADIES'
CO-OPERATION.

MR MCPHERSON'S WORK

A meeting was held in the Helena May Institute yesterday of the lady helpers of the Y.M.C.A. canteen of ladies interested, Lady Clementi being in the chair.

Mrs. Wolfe explained that the meeting had been called in connection with the re-organization which will be necessary when the "Cheer-O" canteen moves from its present quarters in Queen's Building to the City Hall. They also wanted the opportunity of saying Goodbye to Mr. McPherson before he goes on leave.

"Mr. McPherson," continued Mrs. Wolfe, "has been so closely connected with the work of the ladies and so helpful and courteous in all his dealings with us that we shall miss him very much indeed. I should like to wish him, on behalf of all present, a very happy time during his well earned holiday. We trust that on his return he will find the "Cheer-O" canteen well established and successful in its new surroundings. I feel sure that I can rely on my fellow workers to continue their interest and do all they can to make the new place a real success."

Lady Clementi said:—There is another friend who is leaving us shortly, whom I should also like to mention, and that is Mr. R. A. Brown, to whom the Y.M.C.A. service movement is deeply indebted. I should like to take this opportunity of acknowledging how great is the debt we ladies owe to his ready help. The hottest weather of summer never daunted Mr. Brown. He was always there and always to be relied upon.

We feel his approaching loss is keenly as the men themselves can do.

Mr. McPherson's Reply.

Mr. McPherson in reply said:—It is unnecessary to say anything this morning about the work of the Naval and Military Y.M.C.A. during the past year, as the majority of you, having given your assistance from the very beginning, are acquainted with the circumstances under which the work was undertaken and the way in which it has been done.

Although undertaken at first as a temporary measure only, it soon became evident that an effort should be made to place it on a more permanent basis. The premises at Chater Road being temporary only, it was considered imperative to look round for another place and, with this in view, the City Hall Committee was approached in the matter. After due consideration this Committee very kindly agreed to allow the use of certain rooms at the City Hall for a period of two years.

The premises made available consist of part of the Museum, which may be called the social room, part of the library, to be used as a library and writing room, and a large room at the Des Voeux Road side of the building, under the library, for a dining room. I do not know if you are familiar with the Museum—I find that many, even old residents, have never explored its mysteries. It is the room on the ground floor under St. George's Hall and of the same dimensions. We have allowed the use of one-half of this room, if the enclosed verandah on the Queen's Road side is included. The entrance is on Queen's Road, in a similar position to the entrance to the Theatre at the opposite corner of the building.

A stairway will be made to the dining room, where there will be tables for eighty people, if required. Transfer Date Not Certain.

It is not certain when the transfer to these new premises can be made, as it depends to some extent on other repairs and alterations to the whole building which are now being made. Tenders for the work we require have been accepted and the work will be begun at once. At the outside, not more than two months should be required, so that the premises should be ready at the end of April. I hope the opening may be made about May 1st and that it may be attended with some ceremony.

It is the intention of the Committee of Management to make arrangements for the providing of meals and refreshments with a Comprador, who will enter into an agreement with the Committee covering quality of goods and service, and tariffs to be charged. This does not imply, however, that the work of the ladies will differ much from now. It is too much to expect their assistance in the dining room, but in the serving of tea and refreshments in the social room, probably with shorter hours than now, in the supervision of the library and reading room, and in the general entertainment programme.

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NON-STOP FLIGHT TO
HAVANA.LEVINE AND MISS MABEL
BOLL ARRIVE IN 14 HOURS.

Havana, March 6. Mr. Charles Levine, the successful millionaire Transatlantic flier, accompanied by the pilot, Mr. Wilmer Stultz, and Miss Mabel Boll, the daughter of a millionaire, made a non-stop flight from New York to Havana, a distance of 1,400 miles, arriving here after fourteen hours flying.—*Reuters' American Service.*

New York, March 6. The twenty-five year old daughter of an American millionaire, Miss Mabel Boll, known as the "Queen of Diamonds", on account of her many jewels, gained a long cherished wish when she took off at Mitchel Field, New York, last night with the trans-Atlantic flier Mr. Charles Levine, aboard his plane "Miss Columbia", on the 1,400 miles non-stop flight to Havana.

Mr. Stultz was pilot for Mrs. Grayson on one of her trans-Atlantic attempts.—*Reuters' American Service.*

FEARED LOSS OF JUNK.

NOT HEARD OF SINCE
SATURDAY.

That the strong winds and heavy seas which have prevailed during the two days have been responsible for considerable loss of life seems evident from reports gradually reaching the police of casualties which have occurred between Saturday and Monday.

One of these reports is made by the owner of a cargo junk, No. 1741, who states that his junk, a vessel of 1,640 piculs capacity, left Aberdeen on Saturday afternoon, bound for Yaumati, and has not since been heard of.

The vessel carried no cargo, but there were on board a crew consisting of four men, two women and five children. Normally, the trip from Aberdeen to Yaumati could be accomplished in a few hours and the junk owner fears that the vessel must have either foundered or drifted out to sea.

NEW SHIPPING
SERVICES.BY COLUMBIA PACIFIC
COMPANY.

The Columbia Pacific Shipping Company announces the inauguration of its new South China service, commencing with the sailing of the s.s. Oakridge from Portland on April 30th. The Company's vessels will return from Hongkong fortnightly direct to San Francisco and Portland, Ore.

Furthermore, as General Agents of the Oceanic and Oriental Navigation Company, the Company announces a regular monthly service, commencing with the sailing of the s.s. Bearport from San Francisco, on May 10th. Vessels on this run will return from Hongkong to San Francisco via Los Angeles.

TEAPOT DOME OIL
SCANDAL.WARRANT FOR COLONEL
STEWART'S ARREST.

Washington, March 6. A warrant has been issued for the arrest of Colonel Robert Stewart for refusing to answer questions before the Senate Committee of Inquiry into the Teapot Dome oil case.

He is Chairman of the Board of the Standard Oil Company of Indiana, and is said to have helped to organise in 1922 the Continental Trading Company, which supplied the money which Mr. Harry Sinclair gave to Mr. Fall, the Secretary of the Interior.

Col. Stewart was previously arrested on February 4th, but was released on a *habeas corpus* writ.—*Reuters' American Service.*

Cricket is a very desirable occupation, said Lord Harris addressing the Cricket Club Conference at the Regent-street Polytechnic. The professional cricketer, if he has any really high capacity, can earn from £200 to £500 a year with a chance in a first-class career that after 10 years he may receive a benefit of £1,000 or even £3,000. Lord Harris, who was celebrating the 77th anniversary of his birthday, insisted that cricket was a people's game, and anyone by his own prowess could rise to the very top of the tree.

SOME SHANGHAI
TOPICS.CONTROVERSY OVER
THEATRICALS.RATEPAYERS WANT
INFORMATION.

(Our Own Correspondent.)

Havana, Mar. 2. Matters theatrical have latterly loomed large in the mental horizon of Shanghai residents, partly because people have been craving a change from the realm of ponderous politics and partly because of the surfeit of entertainments, both amateur and professional, regarded as the delectation of jaded nerves.

So far as the plethora of stage productions are concerned, the old saying that it never rains, but it pours, applies with peculiar appropriateness in the present instance.

Commenting that it was a wrong description and also that the summons was bad in form, his Worship dismissed the summons.

A similar summons against Mr. Russell, of Mr. 9 Leighton Hill Government Quarters, was dismissed on the same grounds, but Mr. Russell in this case was fined \$5 for not possessing a license.

Lance-Sergeant F. H. Kelly also unsuccessfully brought a similar summons against another Government servant, Mr. White of No. 5 Leighton Hill Government Quarters. Mr. White produced a license for his dog, and the case was dismissed both on this count and on that of allowing his dog to wander abroad without a muzzle.

Mrs. Gandal, of No. 3 Morrison Gap Road, was fined \$4 for failing to take out a license for her dog.

CONSTABLE BEFORE
THE COURT.INDIAN ACCUSED OF
MISCONDUCT.

Nanak Singh, an Indian Constable, appeared before Mr. R. E. Lindsell, at the Central Magistracy, this morning, charged with accepting a bribe and with misconducting himself as a constable.

Mr. J. M. D'Almada Remedios, who appeared to defend the constable, informed his Worship that he understood that Mr. P. P. J. Wodehouse would prosecute. Mr. Remedios had seen Mr. Wodehouse and the latter had intimated that he would not object to a remand and to half of \$200 being granted.

The case was accordingly fixed for hearing on Monday, March 12th, at 2.15 p.m.

The proceedings arose, it is alleged, out of an attempt by the constable to demand a bribe of ten cents from a hawker in Hollywood road. A watch was set on the Indian and yesterday a European Sergeant, in company with a Chinese detective, is said to have accosted the Indian just after the latter had received some marked money from the hawker.

Lord Weir's offer of his extensive factory at Cardonald to Glasgow Corporation, on condition that the Town Council erect 5,000 steel houses, has been refused.

affairs with a view to preventing hasty legislation and enabling ratepayers to exercise a steady influence on councillors by giving them an opportunity to study the pros and cons of any particular question before it becomes a fait accompli.

Since the eclipse of the communistic elements, crimes of violence have been perceptibly on the wane, though not completely eradicated, but in their place have occurred a succession of crimes of a minor but impudent nature, which, though less spectacular than armed robberies and daylight kidnappings, nevertheless have their amusing side. One of the most impudent cases of this order occurred the other night in the Yangtzeepoo district, when half a dozen men stopped a motor car proceeding along Pingjiang Road, a very secluded spot, forced the driver, a foreigner, to get out of the car and divested him of money and valuables.

Matters Municipal.

It has been said that the most important editor in Shanghai is a gentleman unconnected with the field of daily journalism, in the person of the editor of the *Municipal Gazette*, who is at the same time Secretary of the Shanghai Municipal Council.

This subject is suggested by the renewed agitation of ratepayers—the time of the foreign persuasion—in the direction of more enlightenment being furnished to the taxpayers on municipal

POLICE PROSECUTE
DOG OWNERS.UNSUCCESSFUL CASES
AGAINST EUROPEANS.

Three Government servants appeared amongst the list of persons summoned at the Police Court this morning for breaches of the regulations in respect of the keeping of dogs.

When Mr. A. Kirk, an engineer of the Public Works Department, was summoned for allowing his dog to wander abroad without a muzzle, he submitted that this was on a private road leading to Government quarters on Leighton Hill where he is staying.

It was pointed out by Major Wilson that it was a road used by other people in the quarters as well.

BRITISH LAUNCH
BOARDED.ACTIVITIES OF HANKOW OIL
BUREAU.

SOCONY PAYS TAX.

Hankow, Feb. 21.

What looked like developing into an unpleasant incident occurred on Sunday afternoon when a tug belonging to Messrs. Butterfield and Swire, engaged in towing two lighters of oil from the Standard Oil Company's lower installation, was boarded by a party who stated that they represented the Oil Tax Bureau and demanded that the movement of the oil should cease.

Tax Not Paid.

Mr. Kirk said that in any case the wording in the summons was wrong when it incorrectly described the locality as Leighton Hill Road.

Commenting that it was a wrong description and also that the summons was bad in form, his Worship dismissed the summons.

Consequently they proposed to seize both lighters and ship. The Captain of the tug thereupon drew alongside H.M.S. Curlew which gave the affair a different complexion, but as the oil was the property of an American Corporation representations in respect of this had to be left to the United States authorities.

Pending this being done the lighters were made fast to the stern of H.M.S. Curlew, and the tug proceeded to her berth. Representations were then made by both British and American authorities to the Chinese authorities both on the question of applying force to interfere with the movement of a British ship, and the question of levying a tax on the oil.

Previous Agreement.

We learn on good authority that a previous agreement is in existence whereby the A.P.C. agreed to pay a certain surtax on the oil shipped by them, but apparently such agreement had not been entered into by the Standard Oil Company, and negotiations were continued yesterday with regard to the payment of the tax.

Ultimately we are informed that the Standard Oil Company agreed to pay the tax yesterday morning, and in consequence by two thirty in the afternoon the lighters were released and had taken their departure for Ichang.—*Central China Post.*

"RED" LITERATURE
SEIZED.CANTON POLICE CARRY OUT
RAIDS.

Large quantities of Communist propaganda and other "Red" literature were seized by the Canton police yesterday at book stores in various parts of the city.

Recently, information reached the Public Safety Bureau to the effect that Communist books were still being sold in great numbers at the book stores, and yesterday the Bureau sent out large numbers of police to raid shops in the Wing On Road and the Shuppatou, two of the busiest centres in Canton. Much "Red" literature was found, but no arrests were effected.

HOW MUCH DO YOU
KNOW?

TO-DAY'S QUESTIONS.

The following general knowledge paper has been taken from the *Daily Express*.

Answers, for those who need them, will be found on Page 14 of this issue.

1 What proportion of eggs used in England is produced in the United Kingdom?

2 What is epizootic?

3 Name the largest ship in the C.P.R. tourist service?

4 What new invention likely to be of great value in already building has been acquired by Great Britain?

5 What important decision with regard to infantry battalions is gradually to be carried out this year?

6 Who built the present United Services Museum in Whitehall, and who was beheaded just in front of it?

7 What British possession has a postal delivery only about once a year?

8 Who were the Aztecs?

9 Where did Solomon build his navy?

10 What was an obitette?

11 How many languages are there, approximately, in the world?

12 Name the author of the following lines, and the event to which they refer: "Not a drum was heard, not a funeral note, As his corse to the rampart we hurried."

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BOXING TOURNEY.

ROUSING CONTESTS ON SATURDAY.

CAPITAL PRELIMINARIES.

(By "Wanderer.")

Stoker Morrel won his last fight in Shanghai last week after a terrific battle with Kid Yacko, and there can be no doubt he will appear in the ring fighting fit on Saturday night against Signalman Morris for the middleweight championship of the Colony.

If Morrel was the Morrell who was formerly fought in Hongkong, the match would possess its merits, but there can be no question that he has developed amazingly along the right lines since the Vindictive has been in Shanghai, and the contest is certain to be a "hum-dinger."

Morris will probably strip the lighter of the two; but he is a cool boxer, while the weight of his punches is more than appears at first sight. In Morrel he will meet a type of fighter who has no parallel in Hongkong, and Morris may find the impetuous attack too much for him. Morrel has the



"Knocker" White.

stronger punch, and a remarkable ability to absorb punishment. He will probably win, though Morris is certain to put up a great struggle for mastery.

"Knocker" White,

"Knocker" White who meets Ldg. Seaman Hall in a ten round lightweight contest, makes his first and last appearance in the Hongkong ring. He went to Shanghai as a novice more or less, but comes to Hongkong with a capital reputation. In turn he has beaten Ike Jacobs, U. S. S. Chaumont, Jimmy Riddle, U. S. M. C., Young Gonzales, and Battling Larn (twice). He met with disaster in his last contest in Shanghai being knocked out by Rudy Benton, U. S. M. C., admitted



Leading Seaman Hall.

by one of the best boys at his weight to step inside the Shanghai ring. Hall is well-known.

Another Ten-Rounder.

It is a long time since we saw a Stocker Reynolds in the Hongkong ring, but if the fighter of that ilk is anything like his namesake his appearance on Saturday will be very welcome. He is meeting a tough customer to initiate himself, his opponent being Jose Pinto da Silva, the vigorous fighter from the transport Pero de Alencar.

I rather fancy we shall see a

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MALAYA SPORTSMAN.**RETIREMENT OF INTERPORT CRICKETER.**

The departure of Major W. N. Edwards, Chief Inspector of Police, F.M.S., on leave to Australia prior to retirement, deprives the Police Force of an officer who held a very good record, says a Malayan paper. Born in 1878 he served in the Metabedland Rising in 1898 and later went through the Boer War, 1899-1902. It was during this campaign that he won a commission.

Two years after peace was concluded at Pretoria he left the Army and secured an appointment in the Hongkong Police Force. In Hongkong he made a name for himself on the cricket field with the bat. His promise with the bat attracted the attention of Sir Ernest Birch, who was then British Resident, Perak, and one of the finest judges of the game that Malaya has ever known. Somehow or other those who attracted Mr. Birch's attention on the cricket field had a knack of finding themselves subsequently in Penang, and in 1908 Mr. Edwards left the Hongkong Police Force to join the F.M.S. Police and was taken on the Perak strength in 1909.

On the outbreak of the Great War Mr. Edwards rejoined the Colours and served up to the termination of hostilities, being Bombardier Officer and also in the Tank Corps during his experience at the Front. He finished up with the rank of Major.

On his return from the Front he was posted to Bagam Sarai as officer in charge of Police district. He held this appointment only for four months, when he was seconded for service outside the department, being successively Acting Registrar of Vehicles and Acting Superintendent Fire Brigade, Perak. He was also Rubber Restriction Officer, Ipoh, for over two years.

The public knew him best on the field of sport where he made a name for himself in cricket. Besides being a fine bat he was one of the best fielders in the long field in Perak. He was a member of the State XI for many years and captained the State team one year. When the Malaya XI visited Hongkong for the triangular cricket tests in 1924 Major Edwards was the only selection from Perak, and he did well in the tour.

DISASTER REPEATED.
ANOTHER RUBBER FIRE IN SINGAPORE.

Singapore, Mar. 6. Two hundred tons of rubber, valued at £50,000 were destroyed by a fire in a rubber factory. This is the second rubber factory burnt down in Singapore in four days.—*Reuter's American Service.*

LOCAL GOLF.
RESULT OF PLAY IN CAPTAIN'S CUP.

In the R.H.K.G.C. Captain's Cup, 3rd and 4th March, the result of play was:

H. F. Bloxham, with 74-47, 70.

Other scores were:

S. A. Arthur, 87-15-72.

A. E. Lissaman, 81-8-73.

A. D. Hampircys, 86-11-74.

A. Leach, 84-10-74.

A. B. Raworth, 85-9-76.

A. B. Stewart, 79-3-76.

There were altogether 42 entries.

The Adamson Cup.

The result of play for the Adamson Cup in February was:

A. E. Charman, with 92-20-72.

Other scores were:

Wm. Sayers, 95-22-73.

P. Morrison, 90-10-73.

R. Wallace, 87-14-73.

F. T. James, 92-18-74.

There were 11 entries.

The pool was won by F. T. James, with 92-18-74.

Ladies Section.

The Medici Competition fixed for yesterday has been postponed until Tuesday, 13th inst., on the Old Course at Fanling, the finalists being Mrs. Whyte-Smith and Mrs. Tottenham. The Champion Cup will be presented to the winner in the Ladies Club House at 4.30 p.m.

NATURE WORSHIP.

ANOTHER LOST TRIBE FOUND.

New York, Mar. 6. A visit to a mysterious race of warriors, possibly the descendants of South Sea islanders who came to South America centuries ago, is described by Mr. Hyatt, Verill of the American-Indian Museum, on his return from his sixteenth trip to South America.

Mr. Verill found a tribe of 300 men and women in an almost impenetrable wilderness between Brazil and Bolivia. None of these people wears any clothing. The men have long beards of the type commonly seen in the Solomon Islands. They are nature worshippers.

—*Reuter's American Service.*

SWABUE REFUGEES.**MAKING PLANS TO RETURN TO HOMES.**

When the news from the East River reached Hongkong a few days ago that in parts of Swabue the "Reds" had been driven out, many of the Holfung and Lukfung refugees now in the Colony, believing that before long the communists would be completely ejected from the East River, petitioned the Chinese Chamber of Commerce to provide them with free passages to return to their homes. It is estimated that in Canton and Hongkong there are some 50,000 refugees from the East River district. Within the past few weeks Chinese philanthropists in Hongkong have provided over 1,000 refugees free passages to the Straits Settlements where many have gone to seek work.

Enquiries at the Chinese Chamber of Commerce show that so far \$19,000 have been remitted from Hongkong to Canton as relief fund, subsequent to the December Communist coup. Some of these funds, it is said, will be devoted to relief work among the Holfung and Lukfung refugees.

A few days ago it was proposed to assist these refugees to return to their homes, and in addition funds may be collected in Hongkong to provide them with agricultural implements, so that they will be able to re-cultivate their devastated rice fields and vegetable gardens.

INDIAN RAILWAYS.**INCREASES IN PAY ARE DEMANDED.**

Calcutta, Mar. 6. Following the settlement of the Bengal-Nagpur railway strike the employees of the East Indian Railway workshops at Lilliooh are threatening direct action. The unskilled labourers are demanding double pay and the skilled workers twenty-five per cent increase of their present wages.

The company's agent referred the question to the Railway Board, which has concurred in his conclusion that it is impossible to concede the demands.—*Reuter.*

RED SINGAPORE.**POLICE MAKE BIG HAUL OF DOCUMENTS.**

Evidence of the poisonous type of Communist propaganda that is spread in Malaya was produced in the Third Police Court in Singapore, last Wednesday, when two youthful Chinese who were arrested in a house in Wilko Road recently were brought up for the preliminary enquiry into charges of possession of seditious literature, upon which they have now been committed for trial before the next Assizes.

Opening the case Mr. N. H. P. Whitley, D.P.P., said that the accused men were arrested by an officer of the C.I.D. who found a large quantity of pamphlets and leaflets containing seditious statements. Some of the documents would not in themselves be claimed to be seditious but they would be put in to show the extent of the organisation and distribution work controlled by the two accused.

In the course of his evidence, Inspector Prithvi Chand of the Criminal Intelligence Department produced a number of documents. The first was with reference to the activities of "The Singapore Revolutionary Party." Witness also brought out a receipt for a registered postal article addressed to Mr. Portnow in Shanghai. This Portnow, said witness, was known to be the agent of the Third Internationale at Shanghai. From the same pile of documents witness produced a pamphlet dealing with the subject of strikes in Singapore.

Red Documents.

A great number of documents were found in the lower part of a rattan suit case found in the room. Amongst these was a pamphlet dealing with "The Revolutionary Party" and two letters addressed to the second accused by name. In this pile also was a leaflet dealing with the subject of "The documents of Lenin," and in a leather bag in the room there was a paper which was said to be an appeal to the Student Union, exhorting them to fight.

Another document was entitled "Red Singapore" and stated that the special committee of the Communists of South Seas was sending out workers by the thousands to spread propaganda, and finished up with the slogan "Transform and turn Singapore all of a sudden into the Red Rule." "The revolutionary atmosphere is present everywhere;" "Down with British Imperialism;" "Fight for political power;" "Sovietise the whole place;" "Long live the principle of Lenin."

More documents were taken out of another suit case in the room. Amongst these was a book entitled "Blood Red." The last page contained the slogan "Overthrow British Imperialism. Revolutionary units in the South Seas, rise up..."

Anti-Christ Activities.

The floor of this same room was, according to the witness, strewn with papers and pamphlets. A leaflet advocating anti-Christ activities was found with these papers. Also propaganda for the celebration of the fourth anniversary of the death of Lenin. A passage from this writing said, "We must push ourselves into the midst of the labour and student masses to carry on propaganda and excite their passion."

"And the usual slogans were there—"Overthrow capitalism and the British Rule in Malaya".

Reading another document, the D.P.O. said that it was rather amusing in parts. The writing went on to say that people were made slaves to satisfy the avaricious desires of British Imperialism and further "we shall arm ourselves and revolt when the critical moment of imperialism arrives."

Proceeding the document spoke of the growing understanding of the Chinese masses and made reference to the demonstrations last year. There was another document entitled "The Emancipation Movement of the Malayan Races." This paper pointed out the "unfortunate" position of the workers and finished up with a statement to the effect that although Johore was nominally regarded as an independent state this was only a measure to bluff the natives.

Slaughter Advocated.

Several other documents were produced and marked as exhibits. They all contained statements of a highly seditious character. They were papers inciting labourers' strikes in every town, the disarming of officers and men of the police force, the slaughter of factory proprietors and officials and encouraging the native volunteers to shoot their officers.

The case against another Chinese who is similarly charged was adjourned. A fourth Chinese who was also charged with possession of seditious documents and who was informed that the charge had been withdrawn, was immediately rearrested on a banishment warrant.

Court Inspector Parharasuram, while the case was in progress, noticed two Chinese who seemed to be taking more than an ordinary interest in the case. He ordered their arrest on suspicion, and they were led away for investigation."

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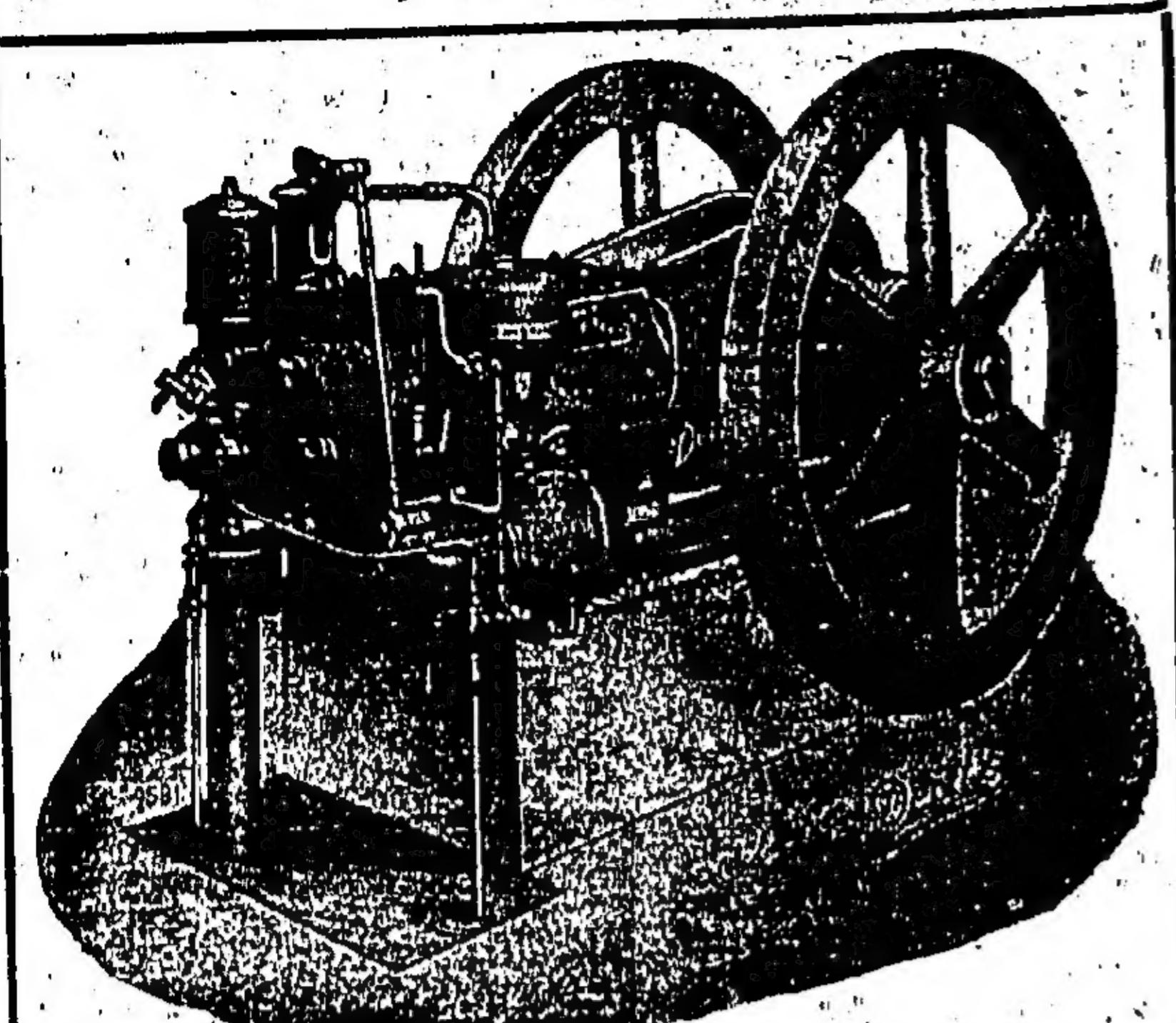
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MR. CHURCHILL ON HIS
TASK.

BUDGET PROSPECTS.

Mr. Churchill, the Chancellor of the Exchequer, in a speech at Birmingham, dealt with national finance.

He declared that if he had the money it was not to the reduction of the standard rate of income tax which he should in the first instance apply it. The local rates were a harassing burden on productive industry and agriculture, and public attention should be increasingly directed to them.

We had just passed through a tranquil year, said Mr. Churchill, and to the great masses of the people, this period of recuperation and of convalescence was indeed a blessed haven after an exhausting and fearful voyage. The world now seemed to be settling down.

Now Mr. Arthur Henderson had said that a General Election this year would be "one of the most glaring betrayals ever perpetrated by any Government." "Let us reassure this good man," said Mr. Churchill, "that he is in no immediate danger of having to face his constituents. Obviously there can be no General Election in 1928."

Watching the Revenue.

"You will ask me: How is the Budget getting on? Watching the movements of revenue and expenditure is like watching a close-run boat race. At the beginning of the year our revenue cutter seemed a long way behind. There was, in fact, a deficit on the year of more than £100,000,000. To-night it is about £95,000,000.

"I am therefore bearing up fairly well, but I am certainly not going to make any prediction as to the order in which the rival boats will pass the line at midnight on the 31st March."

He had been criticised by Mr. Snowden, who complained that the Government had not reduced expenditure, and consequently taxation, as much as they ought to have done. "I think," commented Mr. Churchill, "that about expenditure I shall have a somewhat better tale to tell when I open the Budget in April next, and, with your permission, I will keep that tale until then."

Sanguine Hopes.

"You will, no doubt, say: What of the future? And I shall no doubt say very little about it." The Chancellor proceeded: "I see, however, that some people are beginning to talk about a reduction of sixpence in the income tax in the near future. Without wishing to lower your spirits I think I may go as far as to say that those who nurse these hopes are of a very sanguine temperament, and I will go further and say that they must be people who take much more pleasure in building castles in the air than in adding up figures in a ledger."

"The best hope for the income tax payer lies in the improvement in national credit and in the conversion of our immense internal debt to a more favourable rate of interest."

"The great strikes and stoppages of 1920 have set the clock back. I must say that if I had the money it is not to the reduction of the standard rate of the Income Tax that I should in the first instance apply it."

"I said in Scotland in September last that the local rates were a harassing burden upon productive industry and agriculture. I argued that pound for pound they were a worse burden than the Imperial taxes."

"I said then, as I say now, that I was not in a position at the moment to make any positive proposal and that nothing that I said must be taken as a pledge or promise. But I asked that public attention should, like the attention of His Majesty's Government, be increasingly directed to the aspect of our affairs. Now I am very glad to see that my request has borne fruit both with the Socialist and Liberal oppositions."

"When you feel inclined to set out upon a journey there are always two questions to be considered. The first is where do you want to go, and the second is how are you going to get there. As to the second question, we must see how the finances of 1928 and 1929 work out and how fast we progress in our recovery from the havoc of the great strike period."

"Nevertheless, I will go so far as to say that if I had the money, which I have certainly not at the present time, an advance in this direction would round off with singular completeness the financial policy of the present Parliament."

Betting Tax Yield.

Mr. Churchill also referred to the Betting Tax, which yielded

COMPENSATION FOR LIFE.

SOCIALISTS' SUBMIT ROSY
PROPOSALS.

INCLUDE FAMILY.

Startling proposals regarding workers' compensation are made in a new Bill prepared by the Labour Party.

The first provision is that the State shall take over the insurance of employers against workmen's compensation risks.

An initial loan is to be made to the State Fund by the Treasury for the purpose of establishing the fund. All premiums are to be paid into this fund and all expenses paid out of it, but "the State shall guarantee the solvency of the fund." A Board of seven (all paid) is to administer the fund. These members are to be lawyers and one engineering, one medical, one financial, and one labour member.

Persons to be compensated are to include members of the employer's family living in his house if they are in receipt of wages. The wage limit for compensation is to be extended to £500 a year (it is now £350), and "an option should be given to non-manual workers above that limit to insure under the scheme." Ordinary insurance societies are ruled out; the Government scheme is to be inclusive.

Rates of Compensation.

It is suggested that four classes of disability should be fixed. For permanent total disability compensation is to be a weekly payment for life equal to 75 per cent. of the average weekly earnings;

for permanent partial disability the workman is to be paid the difference between what he did earn and what he can earn; for temporary disability these same payments are to be made so long as the disability lasts; and the minimum payment for total disability is to be not less than £3 a week. This is to be increased by 50 per cent. where it is necessary for the workman to have someone in constant attendance.

Funeral expenses up to a maximum of £20 are to be paid, and where a widow or invalid husband is the sole dependant £10 a week for life is to be paid. Where there are children under 16 this amount is to be increased by 10s. for each one, to be increased to 15s. in the event of the death of the surviving parent.

In no case are the total payments to exceed the average earnings of the workman, but the above amounts are not to be reduced below £2 where there is a surviving parent and one or more children.

Women not Wives.

Then follows this proviso: "Also, in the discretion of the Board, the widow's allowance may be paid to a woman not the wife of the workman who was living with the workman as his wife at the time of his death, and this even if the workman may have left a legal wife surviving him. If such workman leaves children by the woman with whom he was living at the time of his death, the children's allowances may, in the discretion of the Board, be paid to the mother for the benefit and maintenance of the children."

No action shall lie for the recovery of compensation. All claims will be heard and determined by the Board, "whose decision shall be final" and not open to question or review in any Court.

All these provisions are to apply to all persons engaged in any public or private enterprise, undertaking, or establishment whatsoever within the limits of the income referred to above, and excepting persons employed in the Army, Navy, and Air Forces of the Crown.

roughly £3,000,000. He did not know any other way in which that amount could be collected with less harm to the country. It diminished the volume of betting. There were difficulties connected with the tax which time would cure, but would the introduction of the totalisator, substituted for the roar of the ring, make any serious difference?

Mr. Ramsay MacDonald had argued that it was wrong for the State to raise any revenue from any national habit which was in its tendency unhealthy.

"The official newspaper of the Labour Socialist Party," said Mr. Churchill, "is the *Daily Herald*. I have before me a recent copy of the *Daily Herald*. Column after column is occupied by betting news, by racing tips and gambling transactions of all kinds, and the *Daily Herald*, Mr. Ramsay MacDonald's official newspaper, is making a revenue, not as I am doing by penalising betting, but by adding it and encouraging it and stimulating it. His own newspaper!"

SANITARY BOARD.

NEW MARKET FOR KOWLOON CITY.

A number of routine items were discussed at the Sanitary Board meeting held at the Board's meeting room in the Post Office Building yesterday. There were present Mr. W. J. Carré (Chairman), Dr. W. V. M. Koch, Dr. S. C. Ho, Mr. J. P. Braga, Dr. G. W. Pope (M.O.H.), Mr. Wong Kwong-tin, Dr. S. W. Tao, Lieut. Col. J. S. Bostock and Mr. J. Watson (Secretary).

An announcement was made by the Chairman that the new market in Kowloon City will be opened in April. With regard to the allotment of stalls, a proposition of the Chairman that holders of present food licenses should be given first opportunity to bid for stalls in the new market was carried. The hours of the new market were fixed between 6 a.m. and 8 p.m., the Chairman stating that those were the usual hours during which semi-urban markets carried on business.

TANGIER AGREEMENT.

PROTRACTED NEGOTIATIONS COME TO END.

London, Mar. 6.—The placing of the signature to the Tangier Agreement terminates the protracted Franco-Spanish negotiations on Spain's claim to the protectorate or mandate, wherein Britain acted as a mediator. The next stage will be a four-power conference to determine the conditions wherein Italy shall share in the administration.

The present Tangier Statute is the fruit of the discussions of the three Powers only, as Italy was not invited to attend the Tangier Conference of 1923.

The visit of an Italian squadron to Tangier last year was a reminder that she had not relinquished her privileges under the old capitulations with Morocco. The British attitude was governed by a desire to maintain Tangier's international status.—Reuters.

COLONY'S HEALTH.

ENTERIC FEVER MOST IN EVIDENCE.

The health return for the week ended March 3 shows that there were five cases of enteric fever notified in Hongkong during that period, as well as two deaths, both victims being Chinese.

There was one death from smallpox in the period, and two cases of pulmonary fever, as well as one Chinese death from the latter infection.

For the 24 hours ended on Monday, the return gave one Chinese case of small-pox, and one case of cerebro-spinal fever, also Chinese. There were two fresh cases of enteric, both Chinese.



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THE METAL BOX

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SYNOPSIS.

FOSTER MARKWELL, who travels periodically as a ship's doctor, meets and admires THERESA FEVERSHAM, niece of ELIAS FEVERSHAM, an American millionaire newspaper owner, staying in London. Foster's aunt MISS CROOM asks him to take care of a small metal deed box, with instructions to surrender it to none but herself. Subsequently she is discovered murdered.

CHAPTER V.

Treasure Trove.

It was past one when Foster Markwell let himself into the house in Upper Baker Street, having had an interview with an undertaker, and lunched on his way from Baynton Crescent. Although not a stickler for conventional mourning, his brown tweed suit and old Harrovian tie seemed inappropriate, and going to his bedroom, he noticed on the chest of drawers the brown paper parcel which he had received from Miss Croom with strict injunctions not to part with it to anybody but herself.

She had been the kind of anxious little woman to make a fuss about trifles, and he had scarcely given her box a thought from the evening she put it in his hands till now. That it could be connected in any way with her death, he did not for an instant suspect, for there seemed scarcely a doubt that she had been killed by an ordinary burglar, who had stolen everything portable and convertible.

Now, however, the parcel ought surely to be opened. Foster was Miss Croom's heir-at-law, and she had always had a nervous dread of making a will. More than once she had spoken almost apologetically of her government annuity and he stood to gain nothing by her death beyond the proceeds from the sale of the furniture, and such money as might stand to her credit at the bank, after payment of the funeral expenses.

The parcel, whatever it contained, was his own property and as soon as he had put on a darker suit and a grey tie, he carried it to the bed, removed the paper wrapping, and disclosed an old black, enamelled metal deed box, which might, to judge by appearance, have been in his aunt's possession for years, or even in his grandfather's. On taking it up to examine the lock, he fancied he could detect a metallic sound, and wondered whether some of the articles which Sergeant Galloway had put in his list as missing might, by way of precaution against thieves, have been stowed away in the box.

After trying vainly the few keys on his own bunch, he appealed to Mrs. Hutchings, who produced a score or more of various shapes and sizes, tied together by a piece of tape.

Returning to his room, Foster sat sideways on the bed, trying one key after another, till presently he found one that fitted. Raising the lid, he saw a large, soiled, bandanna handkerchief, but removing this, he started to his feet with an exclamation of profound astonishment.

The box was filled with a miscellaneous collection of gems, worth, Foster told himself a king's ransom. Never had he seen so many in such a small space: rings set with precious stones, diamonds, emeralds, rubies, brooches, pendants, heavy gold bangles, a tiara containing scores of magnificent diamonds, a neck-band two inches wide, consisting entirely of gorgeous rubies, a double row of darkish pearls, not of great size, but marvellously matched both in colour and size.

And they were all his own! Their value must be enormous, nor was it possible to question their origin. How his eccentric grandfather had obtained possession of them, it was futile to speculate, but that he had brought them from India, Foster at once assumed. From where else could his aunt have got them? They had possibly been bestowed on her father for services (perhaps equivocal) rendered to the potentate to whose court the late Mr. Croom had been attached, and he, miser as he was, had preferred to hoard them, rather than change them into coin of this realm.

All these years, since his death, fifteen years, the treasure had been hidden away in that little suburban house, Miss Croom, perhaps, inspecting them from time to time; in secret, but neither speaking of them nor parting with a single gem, till the dread of losing her precious possessions induced her to entrust the box

though she had not created a very deep impression.

CHAPTER VI.

A Change in Manner.

Foster Markwell telephoned to Theresa shortly after breakfast on Thursday morning—Thursday, January the seventeenth. It seemed a long week since Miss Croom's death. Miss Feversham consented, promptly enough, to lunch at the "Carlton," and when he reached Treadwell Mansion, greeted him even more cordially than usual, perhaps, because of his longer absence. They had not met since the previous Thursday.

As he followed her into the sitting-room, however, her smile faded.

"Are you in mourning?" she asked. "Have you lost someone since I saw you last? Is that the reason you stayed away?"

"You may have read about the murder at Haverstock Hill," answered Foster, and explained that Miss Croom was his aunt. Nothing could have been more consolatory than Theresa's sympathy. She had an expressive face, and as she stood close to his side, with her eyes raised, he thought they were the most wonderfully dark blue he had ever looked into, forming a piquant contrast to her fair hair.

His regard touched high water mark that day, and he resented the chances of the good-looking, red-haired man who was one of a rather conspicuous party of four at a table in the middle of the restaurant. He looked about twenty-six, and when presently he rose, Foster saw that he was unusually tall, more than six feet, and wide-shouldered. Exceedingly well-groomed, he had no doubt passed through public school and university; the only fault that could be found, and probably Foster had the inclination to be critical, being that his eyes were rather small and close together. Still, he was a handsome, distinguished-looking man, and on his way out with his friends, he bowed to Theresa, who had evidently not recognised him till that moment. She nodded and smiled in her somewhat casual way, but made no remark about him. Obviously she was not entirely lacking friends in London, and indeed Foster knew this was her third visit.

That Thursday formed a dividing line, it seemed when he looked back, in Foster Markwell's life. Theresa had never appeared so agreeable and sympathetic before, and the next time they met, she was altogether different. What had changed in her, he would have found it difficult to explain, but he became conscious of an alteration the moment she admitted to him her flat on Saturday, when she greeted him with a smile, it was true, though her spontaneity had gone, and on the way to the "Savoy" in a taxi, she remained so persistently silent that he asked what was the matter.

"The sky seems to have clouded over," he said. "I feel as if I had been putting my foot in it." "Perhaps you have," she returned, soberly.

"Won't you tell me what I've done?" he urged, but she shook her head, rather in sorrow than in anger, he thought.

"I think I prefer to leave it to your own conscience," she said.

"I can only assure you it's not more reprehensible than usual," he insisted, and during the meal, amidst the talking and laughter and the music of the band, he could not shake off a suspicion that she was keeping him under observation. Something must have happened since last Thursday, though he could not imagine what, and in the hope of finding out, he began in his turn to watch Theresa.

"Do you remember a friend of Miss Croom's named Hillyard?" he inquired.

"I've never heard the name—who is he?" answered Foster.

"Just what we want to find out, Doctor. Miss Croom had a call from someone who used the name as a sort of introduction. I thought you might be familiar with it."

Foster explained that she had had very few friends, and that as he was often at sea for months at a time, he knew little about them. He parted from the sergeant at the Underground station, and on Sunday morning, Mrs. Hutchings excitedly exhibited an illustrated newspaper, containing a full description of the murder and his photograph as the victim's next of kin.

Frequently as he thought of Theresa Feversham, he held no communication with her till after the funeral. He was surprised by the number of flowers that arrived at the house in Baynton Crescent and amongst others noticed a large heart-shaped cushion, formed entirely of primroses.

Attached to it was a card, "With love and fondest memories from Monica Rafton." Of course he remembered the girl. A sort of protegee of his aunt's, the daughter of a painter, at Addison Buildings, Chalk Farm. Foster had been introduced to her while she was staying with Miss Croom after her father's sudden death,

and he had been greatly impressed by her beauty and grace.

Here is the solution to the puzzle on another page.

LETTER GOLF SOLUTION.

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FILM PAGES IN NEW YORK.

"THE CIRCUS" AND "THE ENEMY."

CHARLIE'S RECORDS.

New York, Feb. 8.—Charles Spencer Chaplin is variously paying for his two years' vacation, making up that much discussed alimony and adding new figures for the income tax man at this present moment.

For his film, "The Circus," is quite the rage of Broadway. Such records for attendance as may be filed away in the statistical reports are being smashed day by day and in every way.

Charles Spencer Chaplin has proved beyond a shadow of doubt all that was said about him when the ladies' clubs were so zealously trying to shut down his pictures: he is one of our two or three leading idols.

Wherewith, it becomes embarrassing to report just here and there that "The Circus" shows the result of the year's vacation from it that Charlie was forced to take.

What is most interesting is that the Chaplin we find in this film is the Chaplin of the old two-reel days: the Chaplin who was bounded from slapstick to boottrap. In this picture Chaplin moves about on more or less winged feet and action becomes the keynote.

Only at brief intervals does he deliver himself of those expressions that the psychologists and intellectuals were inclined to make so much fuss about. Otherwise he is carried along from one defeat to another, from one disconcerting encounter to another.

There are two episodes in "The Circus" that will not soon be forgotten. One reveals Charlie chased by an unfriendly mule into the lion's cage, where he inadvertently locks himself in. Chaplin has never done anything funnier. But there is too little of it. Much could be cut that this scene might be padded.

And there is his tight wire performance. In this, Charlie takes the place of the great and peerless performer. He arranges to have an invisible wire attached to his belt, achieves astounding feats over the crowd without visible means of support.

The situation is complicated by the arrival of a number of escaped monkeys who clutter up the rope and climb over his body. It seemed to me that the monkey business was carried too far and achieved an anti-climax.

But it is obvious that the people want Charlie back. They are clamoring for him; packing the doors until well after midnight and shrieking with laughter.

The second Broadway event is the "come-back" of Lillian Gish. In "The Enemy," she achieves just about all that the most avid fans and critics have claimed for her.

For several pictures the Gish had seemed to us to be rather improbable, if not impossible. But in this war picture the producers have given her no lilac bush to run around, and so she seems saved for the arts.

They might have left the bird cage out, for bird cages and lilac bushes have always seemed to us to be Lillian's weakness.

The picture, just out of the United Artist's plant, is taken from Channing Pollock's burning anti-war play and, as such, is the first photoplay to carry a denunciation of the sport of Mars. Even though it sags toward the end, it has a powerful story to tell and Miss Gish does everything a real artist might be expected to do to help.

"THE CIRCUS."

CROWDED HOUSES AT THE QUEEN'S.

Charlie Chaplin's great comedy, "The Circus," continues to draw crowded houses at the Queen's Theatre. Most cinema-goers are under the impression that Charlie Chaplin never goes to any great pains about his costume. They would never put him in the same class as Adolphe Menjou or Gloria Swanson.

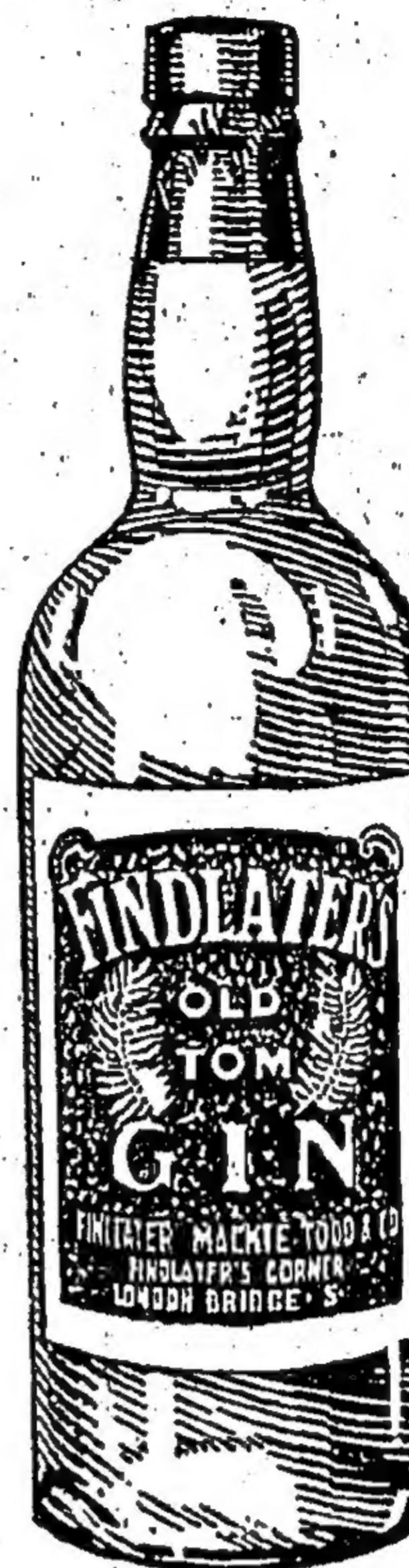
In the minds of most people, his baggy trousers are just a pair of old trousers; his shirt probably a pain that belonged to a bigger man, and so on throughout his entire make-up.

But what a mistake! Those baggy trousers and that funny coat are tailored for Charlie with as much care as a regal suit of evening clothes. And a very fine show shop has the dimensions for Charlie's foot from big toe to heel, with a standing order to replace the shoes at frequent intervals.

Intimates of the comedian have said that not only does make-up represent a trade mark, but it fulfills at the only superstition that Charlie probably possesses. He sped up the hill to fame and fortune in that suit, and therefore it is only on very rare occasions that he shifts the scenery, so to speak, and then only when absolutely necessary to make the change.

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[By Alfred Kallsch.]

Sir Landon Ronald recently told the assembled members of the Incorporated Society of Musicians that the musical critics were a lot of naughty, pampered young men. As no one had a chance of taking up the cudgels on behalf of the much-maligned fraternity then and there, I will try to a few words in their (or our) defence.

If we examine Sir Landon's tremendous indictment with a little care we will find, I think, that it resembles a snow man after the sun has shone on him, and (to change the metaphor abruptly) that the boot is on the other leg. It is Sir Landon who is the naughty, pampered young man.

His first complaint was that music critics grumble when an evening concert lasts after a quarter-past ten, while dramatic critics wait patiently till 11 or later. He must know that this is the superfluity of naughtiness. He must know that a dramatic critic goes into his trade or profession with his eyes open and never expects to get off till after 11. He ought, too, to know by this time that it is a piece—even if it is the most important in a programme—comes at the end of a long concert, it has but a poor chance of being adequately noticed, and that through no fault of the critics.

Huckneyed Works.

The second point is more important. Music critics, he says, object to frequent repetitions of masterpieces which they miscall hackneyed and hold up the critics of painting as shining examples to them. Now really, Sir Landon really. Has he never heard a critic of art denouncing the lovers of old-fashioned pictures? Does he not realize that pictures do not get in each other's way in the same way as compositions do?

A concert is only of a certain length, and if there are old works in a programme there is no room for new ones. A picture in the National Gallery does not prevent anyone from looking at an exhibition in the Leicester Galleries if he wants to. The comparison is, with reference, absurd.

If Sir Landon only knew, it is not the critics who complain of want of adventurousness in programmes, but the public. It is the critics who often tell the public that they must not ask for too much novelty.

The Dilemma.

How often have I not had letters urging me to do something to reform programmes, and how often have I not answered that young men should remember that if the Pathetic Symphony, for instance, is stale to them, there are tens of thousands who want to hear it, and have as much claim on the concert givers' time as

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they have. All this is too old, and I am almost ashamed to have to remind Sir Landon Ronald of it.

Lastly, the critics are often attacked from the opposite side, and Sir Landon has done it, too, if I mistake not. It is a common complaint, especially of speakers who want a little cheap applause from after-dinner audiences, to say that the Press fails in one of its main functions, which is to encourage rising talent.

How can we do it if now works are refused a hearing, as they must be, if only acknowledged masterpieces are performed, and the critics are roughly told to hold their tongues if they dare to suggest that the conductors will not leave the beaten track?

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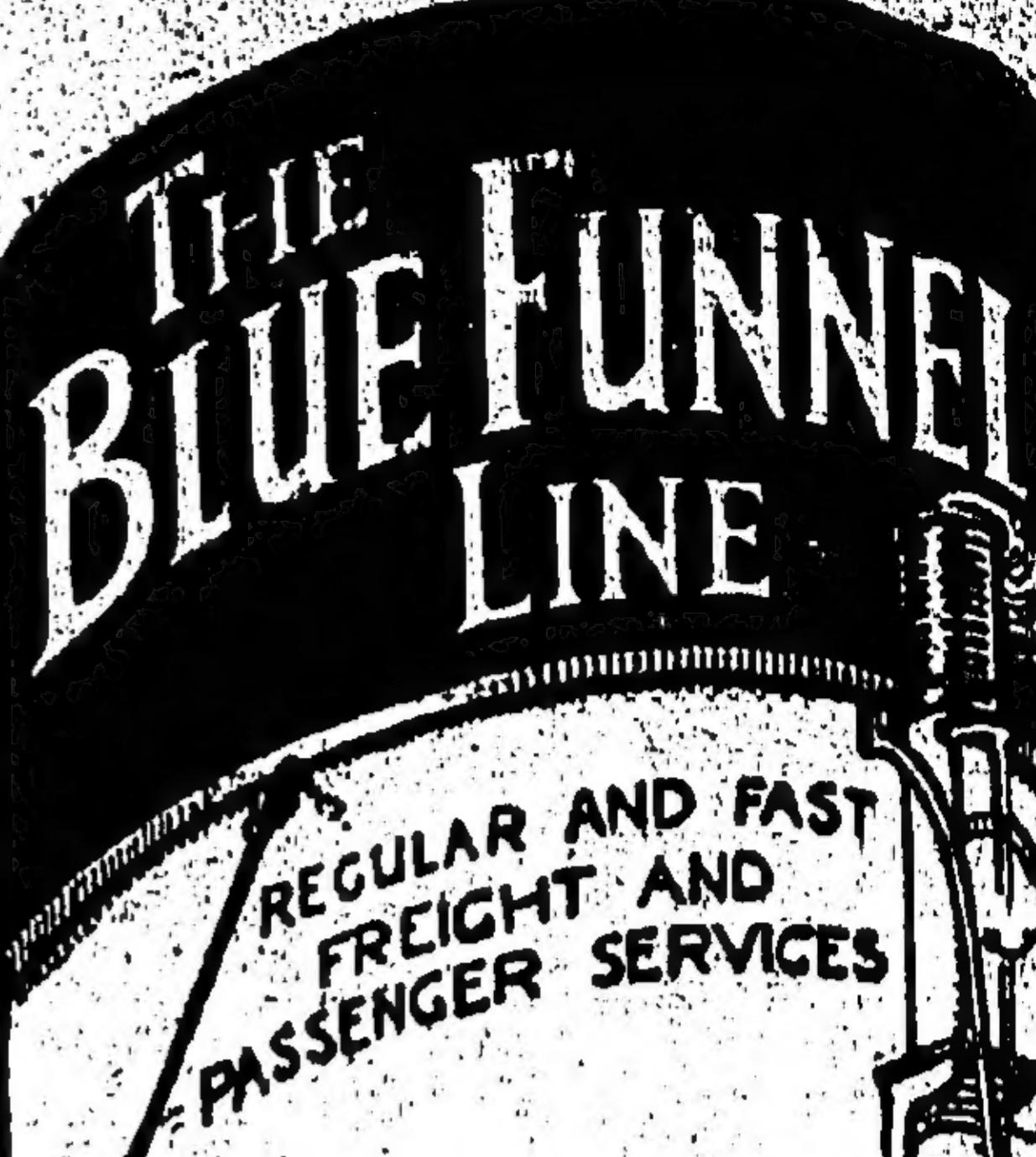
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The recent attack on a Chinese youth named Fung Man-chih at Kennedy Road, made by two supposed robbers, and his death from stab wounds, formed the subject of a Coroner's enquiry held before Mr. R. E. Lindsell at the Central Magistracy yesterday afternoon.

The jury, called comprising Messrs. T. H. Martin (foreman), L. Dunbar and Woo Tin-cheng.

"But Pul-ton, the girl who was with the deceased at the time of the attack, was the first witness. In reply to the Coroner, she said she was 19 years of age, and lived at No. 301, Praya East. She was married to a man who was now in Singapore, being his *kit-fat* wife, but had known the deceased before her marriage. In reply to further questions, she said she was the young man's sweetheart. After a year's absence in Singapore, during which she had not heard from the deceased, she returned to Hongkong to visit her relatives, arriving here on the 20th of last month.

His Worship: Have you ever told your husband of his existence?—Witness: No.

Proceeding, witness said that a chance meeting brought them together again two days after her return to Hongkong.

You made an assignment with him?—Yes. It was arranged that we were to meet outside Kwong Sang Hong Building in Des Voeux Road, at 7 p.m. the same day.

At this second meeting, she said, they went on a long walk which took them finally to Kennedy Road, near Monmouth Path. She had not told anyone of the meeting.

The Attack.

While deceased was sitting on the railings on the outside of the road, engaged in long conversation with her, two men appeared from the direction of Wan Chai and attacked them. While one tackled the deceased, the other man threw his arms around her, and it was at this moment that she heard the deceased call out (the only words he uttered during the whole period of the incident), to let the men have her trinkets.

She was terrified by the sight of what she could only divine in the darkness as a sharp-pointed instrument with which the robber was threatening her. She handed over a bangle, and he also snatched her wrist-watch and jerked off a gold necklace. The men then fled.

With the object of going to the Police Station to make a report of the affair, she and the deceased had proceeded some way down Monmouth Path when he said he had been stabbed, and sank down on the steps. She called out for assistance, but it was not until half an hour afterwards that attention was attracted. A whistle was blown from a house nearby, and people arrived on the scene and began to ask all manner of questions. A quarter of an hour later, a constable arrived on a motor-cycle and took charge.

Replying to the Coroner, witness said she did not know either of the assailants, but believed she would recognise them again if they were produced. She knew that deceased had a gold finger ring, set with a Sandakan stone, which was stolen from him.

No Enemies.

The mother of the deceased, who was the next witness called, said he was 18 years of age, and as far as she knew he had no enemies. He was a good son and gave her no trouble.

On the day in question he went out after having taken his supper, without saying where he was going, but witness heard subsequently that he had confided to a salesman at Kwong Sang Hong that he had an appointment with the girl.

Questioned if she had any reason to believe that his death was other than incidental to an armed robbery, witness replied in the negative, but later accused the girl of having hired the men to murder her son.

Witness was severely reprimanded by the Coroner for making "wild allegations" without any proof. She then replied that she had only suspicions on which to base this accusation.

Being severely cross-examined as to the import of these suspicions, witness made a rambling statement to the effect that she knew that her son and the girl had exchanged ornaments with their names entwined thereon.

It was put to witness that, if anything, these tokens merely proved a relationship which the girl herself had frankly admitted and should serve to disarm such suspicions.

The jury returned a verdict of "wilful murder" against persons unknown. They added a rider recommending a better lighting system for these dark portions of the roadway, and improved police supervision through the institution of police patrols.

**MORTGAGE APPEAL
ENDING.****MR. POTTER REPLIES FOR THE
APPELLANTS.****LENGTHY ADDRESS.**

The concluding stages of the mortgage appeal case were entered upon this morning in the Full Court of Appeal when Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C., on behalf of the appellants, lengthily replied to Mr. F. C. Jenkins.

Mr. Potter remarked that there was no doubt a Court of equity would prevent an infant from reaping the advantage of his fraud, as far as it could be prevented, but the question was how far could a Court of equity go in ordering restitution? It was admitted that restitution was the only thing that the Court could order.

Restitution Point.

He submitted that restitution stopped where payment commenced. Restitution stopped where one began to enforce the contract. On the judgments of eminent judges, it was held that the Court was, in effect, prevented from enforcing a contract against an infant, which, in fact, was avoided.

His submission was that the order, such as the trial Judge had made, was not only, in effect, confirming the contract, but was literally enforcing it in the fullest possible way; because one could not do more than pay principle and interest.

If the Court looked at the cases relied upon by Mr. Jenkins, they would find that, where the Court ordered restitution, in every case it disaffirmed the contract and did not confirm it. The highest, he could put his submission at was that they stopped short in effect once they enforced the contract.

Dealing with a distinction which appeared to have been made by the trial Judge on an authority in his judgment, Mr. Potter went on to say he would submit that there was no distinction between law and equity and, on the contrary, where the rules conflicted, the rule of equity prevailed. He would also submit that, logically speaking, there could not be a distinction between an infant appearing as a plaintiff and an infant appearing as a defendant. It was obvious from the rule of equity that under no circumstances would the contract be enforced.

Forced Into Court.

He submitted that they were not tied by reason of the fact that the infants happened to be plaintiffs, always bearing in mind that they were forced into Court by reason of the contract which had, admittedly, been avoided. They were forced into Court by reason of the fact that the defendants had said they were going to sell the plaintiffs' property unless they did a certain thing.

After dealing with the question of agency as to a false representation which might have been made by Suing, the interpreter, without the plaintiffs' knowledge, Mr. Potter argued at length on the doctrine of the lie and quoted authorities to support his contention that the right of lie must be specifically pleaded, whereas Mr. Jenkins had pleaded, in effect, that a Court of equity could give any relief it liked, whether it was pleaded or not. That, argued Mr. Potter, was not the law.

He went on to deal with the question as to whether the plaintiffs could have had knowledge of the contents of the documents in view of their signatures, as referred to by Mr. Jenkins. There was no suggestion in the present case or in the authorities, continued Mr. Potter, which would show that the signature was sufficient. Even if it was so, it would not be sufficient evidence of fraud.

Fraud Implications.

Sir Henry Gollan remarked that Mr. Jenkins had argued that there were certain imputations, that those imputations pointed to fraud, and by his signature he was bound by those imputations.

Mr. Potter submitted that the point as made by Mr. Jenkins would give no power in the establishment of fraud. With regard to express representation of fraud, there was, continued Mr. Potter, not a single suggestion of anything of that nature. They had the words "omission" to describe the plaintiffs as under 21. Was that the express representation? asked Mr. Potter. He went on to say that in practically every case "express representation" was spoken of.

Mr. Jenkins had made a great deal of the plaintiffs knowing a lot about the transactions. Of course they knew and had admitted so. They knew a settlement of the dispute was being put through and that the trustees were going to distribute the property. They also knew they were going to get certain property assigned to them. As regards Hin, it was clearly proved that he only came to Hongkong 20 days before the signing of the mortgage, and visited Mr. Davidson's office for

**SIR AUSTEN GETS
PIQUED.**

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Eight Subjects.

Geneva, Mar. 6. Eight subjects confronted the public session of the League Council this morning, the principal ones being a proposal to reduce the number of Council meetings, and the question of constructing new secretariat buildings, but interest was focussed on a subsequent private meeting to consider the demands of the Little Entente, namely Czechoslovakia, Rumania and Yugoslavia, for an examination of the dispute over the smuggling of machinegun parts into Hungary.

M. Walko, the Hungarian Foreign Minister, previously visited and lengthily conferred with the Italian delegate, Sig. Scalfaro, at the latter's hotel, Italy being involved in the affair owing to the allegation that the parts were consigned from Italy.

The discussion in public session of the question of non-ratification of agreements and conventions concluded under the auspices of the League of Nations, including the 1925 Opium Convention, was so protracted that the private session had to be postponed until tomorrow.—Reuters.

**"CUTTY SARK'S" OLD
COMMANDER.**

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time—and while he worked his apprentices hard he was very keenly interested in their welfare and in fair weather was generally ready to exchange a joke with them or ask them one of his innumerable pet conundrums—the answers to which they were always careful not to know.

Such was the man who did so much to make the old ship famous. He was entertained at a big dinner in London a little more than three years ago, at which glowing tubules were paid to him by Captain Millet, who served under Captain Woodget on the Cutty Sark.

Captain Woodget was latterly a small white-bearded man whom no landlady would take for a sailor, although his features had a peerless look and receded a little under the dome of his head, as though blown in by strong winds and beating seas, and his hands were "ropehooker," as sailors say, and still strong and hard for all his years. An "old eloquent" they say of ancient active statesmen, an old master mariner this whose eloquence spoke only to the initiate of the sea. To the shoreman he looked like a little local preacher in his old-fashioned black coat and black tie.

HOW MUCH DO YOU KNOW?

The following are the replies to to-day's questions:

1. A plant containing half a pound of chemical substance found in certain vegetables which, by irradiation with ultraviolet light, produces vitamin D. 2. Duchess of Bedford. The metallisation of wood, fabric, glass, etc., for an infinitesimal increase in weight. 3. To increase the machine-gun power by giving each battalion one machine-grenade. 4. Sir Reginald Jones; Charles I. 5. The island of Tenerife, in the Atlantic, which has about 150 inhabitants. 6. The ruling tribe in Mexico at the time of the Spanish Invasion under Cortes in 1519. 9. The English name for the Baltic Sea. 10. A dungeon opening only at the top, where prisoners were frequently forgotten (French "oublier"), and left to die. 11. 8,424 known languages and dialects. 12. Charles II (1660-1685); Sir John Moore was killed in the hour of victory at Corunna, in Spain, 1609.

the first time when the mortgage was signed.

The solicitors were writing to one another talking about a release and an assignment, but the plaintiffs did not know all about it. The solicitors were using technical terms. How many English boys, or even adults, would know the meaning of the word "release," asked Mr. Potter. He thought very few would. It seemed to be apparent that the plaintiffs did not know anything about the release.

All Present.

Continuing, Mr. Potter remarked that all the brothers signed the release, including elder brother. Did the Court really seriously believe that Lo Lin-yuk, the eldest brother, did not know that Hin was under 21 years of age? They were all present when the deed was signed. Why did not one of them say that Hin was an infant? Was it possible that Lo Lin-yuk would have permitted the possible legal wrecking of the whole settlement by allowing the plaintiffs to sign a document which would not be worth the paper it was written on?

Mr. Potter contended that the reason was because the matter was never brought to their minds, and they did not know that it mattered.

The case is proceeding.

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